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Date of Sailing. Saturday, P. M.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
22nd Sept.	ORIENTAL	5294	MACEDONIA	10512
29th "	ARCADIA	9693		
6th Oct.	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
13th "	ARABIA	7903		
20th "	ORIENTAL	5294	INDIA	7911
27th "	PERSIA	7951		
3rd Nov.	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	9505
10th "	MARMORA	10609		
17th "	ORIENTAL	5294	BRITANNIA	6535
24th "	EGYPT	7912		
1st Decr.	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
8th "	MACEDONIA	10512		
15th "	ORIENTAL	5584	HIMALAYA	6898
22nd "	ARABIA	7903		
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1907.				
5th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
12th "	ORIENTAL	5294	VICTORIA	6922
19th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
26th "	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
2nd Feb.	OCEANA	6610		
9th "	ORIENTAL	5294	INDIA	7911
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YARRA	4,248	Sellier	THURSDAY 4th Oct. 1906.
DUMBEA	5,916	Boyer	1st Nov. "
SYDNEY	4,118	Combe	29th Nov. "
ARMAND BEHIC	6,385	X	27th Dec. "

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Vessel	Tons.	Captain	To Sail on or about
ARMAND BEHIC	6,385	X	13th Oct. 1906.
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CIRCASSIA	A. Haig	6716	21st Nov.
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SCINDIA	Shafto Abrey	5106	22nd Dec.
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KASARA	1,200	Thur 20th Sept.	10 a.m.	Cutch Mandvie.
LAMA	2,170	Frid. 21st Sept.	8 a.m.	(direct).

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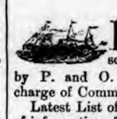

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† SILESIA	L.de Stabile	5158	5th Nov. "
† PERSIA	P. Cragletto	5934	5th Dec. "
*† TRIESTE	D. Mistrorigo	5295	29th Dec. "

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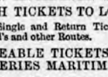

TO JAPAN VIA SINGAPORE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

Vessels	Tons.	Captain.	Arrival.	Departure.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	4405	F. Pyne	18th Sept	29th Sept
CEYLON MARU	5068	K. Kori	2nd Oct.	8th Oct
COLOMBO MARU	4703	J. Nagao	16th Oct.	27th Oct
BOMBAY MARU	4825	S. Ishikawa	30th Oct	10th Nov
TOTOMI MARU	3442	A. Keith.	13th Nov.	24th Nov
RIOKUN MARU	4826	G. S. Leprik	27th Nov.	8th Dec
KAGOSHIMA MARU	4405	F. Pyne	11th Dec.	22nd Dec
CEYLON MARU	5068	K. Kori	25th Dec.	5th Jan 1907
COLOMBO MARU	4709	J. Nagao	8th Jan.	19th Jan
BOMBAY MARU	4425	S. Ishikawa	22nd Jan.	2nd Feb.

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Although, however, the present intention is to confine the main operations of the Bank to the internal trade of India, it is not intended to limit the powers of the Bank to those operations alone, nor to prevent it in any way from undertaking hereafter any business whatsoever which it may be empowered to undertake by its Memorandum and Articles and which the Management may consider likely to prove fruitful and profitable.

It is specially desired to call attention to the fact that the Memorandum and Articles of Association contain a prohibition against making advances upon mortgage, or in any other manner, upon the security of immoveable property or the documents of title relating thereto, similar to that which is contained in the Presidency Banks' Act and also a prohibition against making advances on shares in Joint Stock Companies other than shares in Companies the interest whereon has been guaranteed by the Secretary of State for India in Council or by the Government of India.

The Directors are also prohibited by the Articles of Association, except with the sanction, of a resolution of the Shareholders in General Meeting, from engaging in operations in Foreign Exchange and from making advances on the Debentures of Joint Stock Companies, except Debentures the interest whereon has been guaranteed by the Secretary of State for India in Council or the Government of India.

Subject to the above observations, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Bank have been drawn with the intention of giving power to carry on any and every kind of Banking business in the widest sense of those words.

The aim of the Board of Directors will be above all to do a safe business which will give a safe return and to establish the reputation and credit of the Bank on a firm and sound basis.

If the Board can succeed in these objects there cannot be a doubt that a safe, steady, and reliable profit will be assured to the Shareholders.

The Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Bank may be inspected at the office of the Company at Oriental Buildings, Esplanade Road, Bombay, and every person applying for a Share or Shares in the Bank, or to whom any Share or Shares in the Bank shall be allotted, will be deemed to have inspected the Memorandum and Articles of Association and to have full notice of the contents thereof.

Copies of the Prospectus can be obtained from the Chairman of the Bank at the office of the Bank, Oriental Buildings, Esplanade Road, Bombay; from the National Bank of India Limited, Bombay; from the Solicitors of the Bank—Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, Hornby Row, Bombay; and from Messrs. Tullockchund and Shapurjee, Brokers, 51, Apollo Street, Bombay.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

Application for Shares should be made on the accompanying Application Form which should be sent, together with the amount payable on application to the Directors of the Bank at the address appearing on the form.

If no allotment be made to an applicant, his deposit will be returned to him without reduction; and if a partial allotment only be made to him, the surplus of his deposit will be applied towards the payment of the Call payable by him on allotment.

DATED 7th SEPTEMBER, 1906.

SA-SOON DAVID,
CHAIRMAN.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To
THE DIRECTORS OF
BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
Oriental Buildings, Esplanade Road,
BOMBAY.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to send herewith the sum of Rs. being a deposit of Rs. 10 per share on shares in the abovenamed Bank and I request you to allot me that number of shares upon the terms of the Bank's Prospectus, dated the 7th day of September, 1906, and I hereby agree to accept the same or any smaller number that may be allotted to me and after allotment to pay the balance of Rs. 90 per share as provided in the said Prospectus, and I authorise you to register me as the holder of the said shares, and I agree to hold the said shares subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the said Bank.

Yours faithfully,

Name in full .....
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NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 24th instant, both date inclusive.

By order of the Board,
ROBERT R. ROSS,
Manager.

BOMBAY, 15TH *September*, 1906.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE Bank will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, that day being a Public Holiday under the "Negotiable Instruments Act 1881."

J. BEGBIE,
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Bombay, 12th September, 1906.

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BOMBAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1906.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

TO PASS
SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

THE CONNAUGHT MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at Company's Registered Office, No. 1, Forbes Street, at 5-30 o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time), on Tuesday the 18th day of September, 1906, for the purpose of considering and (if thought fit) passing the following resolution as a special resolution *viz* :—

That the capital of the Company be reduced from eight lacs and forty thousand rupees (Rs. 8,40,000) divided into sixteen hundred and eight (1,680) shares of Rupees five hundred (Rupees 500) each to Rupees Four lacs ninety three thousand and two hundred (Rupees 4,93,200) divided into sixteen hundred and forty-four (1,644) shares of Rupees three hundred (Rs.300) each, and that such reduction be effected by returning to the holders of eight hundred and forty (840) shares that have been issued and fully paid up, paid up capital to the extent of Rupees two hundred (Rs. 200) per fully paid up share and extinguishing the liability in respect of the uncalled capital on eight hundred and four (804) shares which have been issued at Rupees five hundred (Rs. 500) each but on which Rupees two hundred and fifty (250) only have been paid up to the extent of Rupees two hundred (Rs. 200) per share and thereby reducing the nominal amount of all the said shares from Rupees five hundred (Rs. 500) each to Rupees three hundred (Rs. 300) each, and by cancelling the thirty-six (36) shares of Rupees five hundred (Rs. 500) each which have not been issued.

Should the above resolution be duly passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of which notice will be given in due course.

Dated the 28th day of August 1906.

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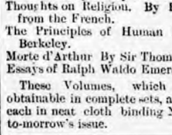

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Sept.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
16	Abana s	Bowden	Djibouti, Sept 9
17	Helios s	Kundsen	Bangkok, Aug 25
	Trieste s	Mistrorigo	Trieste, Aug 27
	City of Agra s	Browne	Cardiff, Aug 16

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
17	Linga s	Rickford	Karachi
	Capri s	Belsito	Hongkong

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DEPARTURES.

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	Barentels	F Begelage	New York
15	Statesman	L Whidbourne	London
	Benlaria	A Wallace	Dundee
	Polamcotta	T P Babb	Rangoon

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ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	From
12	Clan Ranald	Coast
13	Clan Macfadyen	Coast
14	Clan Grant	Liverpool
15	Diwara	London

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

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Mazagon s—45 cwt dry fruit, D N Shroff ; 3 1-4 cwt. gonda horns M H E Elias ; 74 chests opium, C Ebrahim and ; 5 1-2 chests opium, Tata and Co: 15 chests opium, E Noordin and Co ; 7 chests opium, Phirozsha B Pitit and Co ; 16 chests opium G Bomanji and Co ; 16 chests opium, M H E Elias.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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DEATH.

MITRA—September 16, at Khandwa, (C. P.), Mr. Hemendra Nath Mitra, Barrister-at-Law, age 40. Deeply mourned by his friends.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HUDSON—September 11, at Karachi, the wife of W. F. Hudson, I. C. S., of a son.

STEWART—August 27, at Dewas, Central India, the wife of Captain Hugh Stewart, I. A., of a son.

WILCOX—September 11, at Motihari, the wife N. C. Wilcox, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

WAGSTAFF—THELWALL—September 13, at the Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Rev. Canon Luckman, Captain Cyril Mosley Wagstaff, Royal Engineers, eldest son of Philip Wagstaff, Esq., formerly of Calcutta, to Rosabel, fourth daughter of Lieut.-Colonel E. D. Thelwall, of Berkhamsted, Herts.

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H. H. THE AGA KHAN.—A telegram has been received by Mr Jafferbhoy Cassum Moosa, Estate Manager to H. H. the Aga Khan, stating that His Hignness has left Port Said and may be expected to arrive in Bombay on the 21st instant.

THE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.—Notice will be found in an advertisement columns of the forthcoming Indian Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition. It is to be held in Calcutta in December, and Entries close on the 15th of next month.

DITINGUISHED VISITORS IN BOMBAY.—Nasrullakhan Nawab of Bhopal, arrived with eight followers in Bombay, on Sunday last, and has put up at the Taj-Mahal Hotel. H. H. Pratapsinghji, the Maharajah of Idar, arrived in Bombay the same day and has put up in a bungalow at Walkeshwar. Sir Gangadhar Ganesh Patwardhan, Chief of Miraj, also arrived in Bombay, with three followers, on Sunday last, from Miraj, and has put up in a bungalow at Pedder Road.

A DANCING GIRL ROBBED BY HER SERVANT.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, disposed of a case in which Inspector Draper prosecuted Govind Laxman Raghoo Mahadoo, the first for theft of gold ornaments, currency notes and other property, collectively valued at Rs. 1,795, and the second for aiding and abetting him in the commission of the offence. It appeared the first accused was in the service of a dancing girl who missed the property in question about a fortnight ago. She lodged her complaint with the police. Subsequently the first accused was also missing. He was arrested on the 8th instant at the Bunder while trying to sail for Alibag. He took the police to Alibag where he pointed out the verandah of a large house belonging to a brother-in-law of the second accused. Ornaments, valued at about Rs 1,170, were found buried under the verandah. On evidence the first accused was convicted and he was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment. The second was ordered to be discharged for want of evidence.

A GUN SHOT ACCIDENT.—On the 27th ultimo one Manuel George, a Goanese, was admitted into the G. T. Hospital suffering from a gun-shot wound, in his left foot. It was very recently that the police was informed of the occurrence. They made enquiries and ascertained that on the day in question a soldier went to the shop of one Ladoo Govind, a gun-smith of Kalbadevi, with a Manchester rifle and wanted a new spring put in. Ladoo did the necessary repairs, and to show the thoroughness of the work done, he fired three small shots into the ground in hisshop. As he was firing a fourth shot with the barrel pointing to the ground, the bullet struck Manuel in his left foot, broke a bone and lodged in the flesh. Ladoo conveyed the man to the hospital, but no report was made to the police, till 15th instant. The injured man is still in the hospital for treatment. Ladoo was placed yesterday before Mr. J. H. S. Dracup, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, by Inspector Canty, on a charge of doing a negligent act, and thereby causing hurt to Manuel. The case stood remanded.

ALLEGED ASSAULT BY A PARSI.—The Bombay police received information yesterday that a coachman named Hanmanta Chimna, residing in his master's stable, at Girgaum Road, had died under suspicious circumstances. The police ascertained from enquiries that Hanmanta had been drinking since the morning of the 14th instant. On the morning of the 16th he was found lying in the stable, when his master, named Maneckji E. Darnwalla, went up to him and told him to work. The coachman refused, saying he was unwell. It has been alleged that Maneckji then picked up a whip and struck Hanmanta with the stock and also kicked him. Hanmanta soon after died.—At the Esplanade Police dourt, yesterday, Maneckji was placed before Mr. Kursandas Chubildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, on a charge of causing the death of Humanta by a rash and negligent act, not amounting to culpable homicide. The case was remanded pending further enquiries.

FINANCING A KHOJA FIRM OF BOMBAY.

High Court Judgment.

In the High Court, yesterday, the Hon. Mr. Justice B. Scott, delivered Judgment in the suit of Messrs. Fleming Shaw and Company against Mahomedbhai Nensi Khenaj, and another, in which the plaintiffs claimed Rs. 21,634 with interest. The facts of the case have been reported. The transactions between the parties related to wheat and barley, consigned for sale in Japan through Messrs. W. M. Strachan and Co. Defendants counterclaimed certain sums in respect of shortage in reshipment of goods from Japan to Antwerp, and on account of the non-recovery of refund of Customs duty in Japan,on the reshipments. The other point of contention was, the construing of the expression "Bank rate" in the light of the understanding subsisting between the parties in the case. On this point, his lordship said that the evidence entirely bore out the plaintiffs' contention that it meant the rate of interest, at which the Bank of Bombay would grant loans on Government securities. Averring it to be otherwise had thrown strong doubts on the credibility of the defence. The evidence of the plaintiffs, of Mr. William Greaves, the late Chairman of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, and of the Hon. Mr. H. E. E. Procter, the present Chairman, was in support of the view expressed. Plaintiffs were entitled to the rate of interest charged. This suit had been brought by the plaintiffs for recovering the balance due in respect of the advances made by them to the defendants on consignment-letters, respectively dated 28th December 1904, and 27th February 1905. There was a question in the suit of the relation in which Messrs. Strachan and Co. of Japan stood to the defendants, and to the plaintiffs. Defendants claimed to set off against the plaintiffs certain sums they alleged were due to them by Messrs. Strachan, and Co. for defaults committed by the latter in Japan. Strachan were defendants named agents in Japan for the sale of consignments. The amount of sale-proceeds was remitted through the plaintiffs by Strachan for the protection of the interest of the plaintiffs, who, as a matter of practice, always advanced monies to the defendants. Some trouble had arisen owing to the interference of a manager of the defendants. Strachan complained to the plaintiffs, and the plaintiffs asked the defendants to put a stop to it. Defendants addressed a letter on the subject to the Kobe firm; but that did not alter the business relations established between the parties. Part of the consignment was not sold, because the prices obtainable were not satisfactory. It was re-shipped to Antwerp, at defendants' request. A 2 1/2 per cent. commission was charged for such unsold and re-shipped goods. From Strachan, plaintiffs were entitled to one per cent. commission on sales, out of the two and a half per cent. payable to Strachan ; a credit-entry in plaintiffs' accounts about this commission, in respect of the re-shipped goods, disposed of this point. If the defendants had any further claim about it, or the shortage in re-shipment, or refund of duty, they should claim them from Strachan. A formal decree was reserved till a later date.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

COUNTY CRICKET REVIEWS.

Yorkshire's Unpleasant Reflection.

EVE OF FOOTBALL.

LONDON, AUGUST 31.

YORKSHIRE finished their county matches with an overwhelming victory at Bath. It is an unpleasant reflection for them that another hit for two at Bristol would have given them the Championship. They can still finish first if Hampshire beat Kent at Bournemouth, but this, of course, is an improbable contingency. Leaving aside the question of the competition, they have done wonderfully well, winning 17 county matches out of 28, losing only three, and leaving eight unfinished. Still it would be idle to pretend that as an all-round side they were up to the level of their great years. They have seldom in their good seasons had to work so hard for success, being often in difficulties against sides that they ought to have been able to beat without any trouble. Considering the strenuous nature of the games in which they have again and again been engaged, it says much for their pluck and stamina that they should have come out with such a record. Though far from the irresistible team that they proved themselves from 1900 to 1902 inclusive, they were at any rate very difficult to best always fighting on to the end. Even when outplayed by Surrey at the Oval they got within an hour or so of avoiding defeat. Their weakness was that they depended to such an enormous extent upon their five leading players—Hirst, Rhodes, Denton, Haigh and Tunnicliffe. Happily, all five men remained fit and well throughout the season, only Tunnicliffe being for a time incapacitated by an accident.

Rhodes has really been more batsman than a bowler, and it is a significant fact that for the first time since he came out in 1898 he has failed to take a hundred wickets in county matches. With all his merits as an all-round player he has lost the position he used to hold as the best slow bowler in England. He has had some very good days during the present month, but early in the season he often proved ineffective under conditions which a few years ago would have made him unplayable. It seems rather absurd to express regrets about a player who has scored 1,431 runs, but as a match winner Rhodes was more to Yorkshire in his best years as a bowler than he is to-day.

Unfortunately for Yokshire, this year several players from whom a good deal was hoped—Rothery, Rudston, Myers, Wilkinson, and Grimshaw—did not come on at all. It was thought that Rothery would be quite a first-rate bat, but his aggregate for forty innings is only 674. In the hope of finding a good right handed fast bowler trials were given to various new men, but no prize was discovered. Sedgwick, though he did one sensational piece of work and is nominally top of the averages, is not thought much of. The fear for the future, indeed, is that there is so little sign of first-class talent among Yorkshire's recruits. As regards the batting of the team, it must be borne in mind that F. S. Jackson only played in two matches against Surrey at the Oval and Lancashire at Old Trafford. Returning to the team after an absence of three years, T. L. Taylor batted fairly well without doing anything out of the common. A word is due to Ernest Smith, who, in Lord Hawke's absence, captained the team in the last three matches. He is still a good bat and his fine fielding had something to do with the triumph over Surrey last week at Sheffield. Yorkshire beat Lancashire, Worcestershire, Somerset, Hampshire, and Derbyshire twice each, and won one match each against Kent, Surrey, Middlesex, Essex, Warwickshire, Sussex, and Leicestershire. The three matches they lost were with Notts at Dewsbury, Surrey at the Oval, and Gloucestershire at Bristol.

First of the counties to finish their season's work, Lancashire wound up with a single innings victory over Derbyshire at Old Trafford. Judged from an ordinary standard, they have done well, but considering that they won championship in 1904 without suffering a single defeat and were second to Yorkshire last year, their record is very disappointing. Playing twenty-six matches, they won fifteen, lost six, and left five unfinished. Up to a certain point in the season they were quite in the running for first place, but an unexpected beating at the hands of Middlesex at Lord's last month put them back, and their hopes were quite destroyed when, with much the worst of the luck, they went down before Yorkshire in Tyldesley's benefit match the week before last. Of their fifteen victories perhaps the most remarkable was the one over iSurrey last Saturday. They beat Essex, Gloucestershire, Somerset, Leicestershire and Derbyshire twice each, and Surrey, Kent, Notts, Sussex, and Warwickshire once each. They were beaten twice by Yorkshire and Middlesex and once by Kent and Worcestershire, and drew with Surrey, Worcestershire, Notts, Warwickshire, and Sussex. The falling off from last year is easily accounted for by the marked decline in batting of Spooner, MacLaren, and Poidevin, and the loss in all but five mashes of Brearley's bowling. Poidevin's average dropped from 44 to 23, Spooner's from 40 to 28, and MacLaren's from 39 to 23. If these three batsmen had been up to their form of a year ago there might have been a very different story to tell. Tyldesley has carried off the batting honours with a very fine record—considerably better than he had last year—and Sharp is a good second to him. Spooner played some finer splendid innings, notably his 92 against Surrey and his 240 against Somerset at Bath, but he has never had so many failures. The bowling, was uniformly good, Cuttell doing excellent work, but in Brearley's absence it seldom reached a very high level. Kermode, however, was often dangerous in the early part of the season. As regards the future a good deal may be hoped of Huddleston Harry, Gregson, and Dean.

Much has happened down Tottenham way since the memorable Cup Final in 1901, when the Hotspur, or the "Spurs," as the North London club is familiarly known, brought the English football trophy back to the south. It was a great victory, won by one of the finest teams that ever took part in the national competition, and if only for this reason the large measure of popularity that is now enjoyed by the Hotspur is richly deserved. But five years is a long interval, and within that period many changes have taken place in the representation of the club. Of the eleven players who wore its colours at the Crystal Palace in 1901 only three —"Sandy" Tait, Morris, and Hughes—remain, while no fewer than twelve new men have been signed since April last. It will be remembered that until the last two months of last season, when, owing to accidents and suspensions, the team lost much ground, it looked as if the Southern League championship was again to be secured, and the prospects in the English Cup competition were very hopeful. The Hotspur were most unaccountably defeated at Birmingham in the third round, after outplaying their opponents throughout the game, and it was only after playing extra time that they were beaten. Of the 34 Southern League games played, 16 were won, 11 lost, and seven drawn, the club finishing in the sixth position, with 39 points, as against 50 secured by Fulham, who won the championship. This year, however, they should do much better, for the new men, it is thoroughly believed, will add considerably to the strength of the team, and are quite expected to maintain the high standard of football which has always been associated with the Spurs.

Of the new men, Badenoch and Reid will be familiar figures to most of the 'Spurs' supporters, as they have played at outside right and inside left respectively for Watford Bird (left half-back) is parely a local lad, for besides having been born in Tottenham, he learned all his football there. For the last four seasons he has played for Page Green Old Boys, and his form has been most consistent. Dow (outside-left) did yeoman service for Bury at centre forward last year, when that club was fighting hard to keep out of the bottom place in the English League. Hewitt (inside or outside-right) is the player over whom there was great controversy before the Football Association decided that he was to appear for Tottenham this season. For two years Hewitt played for Middlebrough, who, it is understood, received an offer of £400 from Liverpool for his transfer. William Jones (right half) represented England against Ireland in 1902 ; he made his reputation with Bristol City. McDiarmid (left half or outside-left) comes from Dundee, and is a player of great experience, although this is the first time he has crossed the border. Pickett (inside-left), who was recognised last year as one of the best forwards in the Lancashire League, is only 5ft. 4in. in height, and weighs 10st. ; but what he lacks, in weight and stature he makes up for in skill. Steel (right-half or inside-right) played with Glasgow Rangers during the last two seasons. Walker(inside-left or right); from Middlesbrough, is the youngest member of the team, being only 20 years of age. Wilkinson (left-half) comes to Tottenham with good recommendations from Notts County ; while Eames (centre-forwards) was signed on this season for Watford, but for a substantial consideration they were induced to part with him

MISS FAY TEMPLETON, for several years the most prominent popular comedienne on the American stage, has been married to Mr. William Patterson, the Pittsburg millionaire. In the marriage record, says the *Telegraph*, the bridegroom gave his age as forty, and the lady's as forty-five.

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EXCAVATIONS AT ELEPHANTA.

Contractors and Sub-contractors at Variance.

YESTERDAY, at the High Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar heard a suit brought by Mahomedally Amir Saheb Koval against Mr. F. R. Hill and another, in which the plaintiff claimed to recover the sum of Rs. 5,592-6-3, with interest and costs. Mr. Strangman and Mr. Davar, instructed by Messrs. Mulla and Mulla, appeared for the plaintiff ; and Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Weldon, instructed by Messrs. Bicknell, Merwanjee and Romer, appeared for the first defendant. The defendants are Mr. F. R. Hill, and Vali Mahomed Hasan, Cuchee Memon, carrying on business in co-partnership in the name of F. R. Hill and Co., in Church Gate Street.

The plaintiff stated that he sold to the defendants' firm a large quantity of timber of the aggregate value of Rs 22,692-6-3 between the third August 1904 and the 27th January 1905. The defendants had paid him a sum of Rs. 17,000 from time to time on account of the price of the timber, but the balance of Rs. 5,692-6-3 still remained unpaid. Plaintiff had from time to time furnished the defendants with the accounts of the sales to them, but they had failed to pay the debt.

The first defendant, in his written statement, said the total sum due by him to the plaintiff, in respect of timber purchased by the defendants, was Rs. 22,514-2-3, which had been paid by this defendant, and nothing remained due in respect thereof. This defendant denied that he had paid the sum of Rs. 17,000 only on account of the price of the timber, or that a balance of Rs. 5,692-6-3 or any other balance remained due. The defendants' firm had obtained a contract from Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves for excavating and putting into trucks stone and murum at Elephanta, and the defendants were to receive remuneration for the said work at Rs. 2-8-0 per brass (100 cubic feet) of stone excavated and loaded, and Rs. 1-8 per brass of murum excavated and loaded, on certain terms and conditions. The plaintiff agreed to carry out the defendants' part of the contract on his own account and risk on the terms and conditions mentioned in the contract between the defendants and Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves, and agreed to pay to the defendants four annas per brass on the total quantity of stone excavated and loaded and annas four per brass of the total quantity of murum excavated and loaded. The plaintiff on the 3rd September 1904 commenced the work of the contract, but owing to the dilatory and unsatisfactory manner in which he executed the work, Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves determined the contract, on the 28th January 1905. At the time of the determination of the contract, the plaintiff had excavated but not loaded a certain quantity of stone and murum. Disputes having arisen regarding the quantity so excavated, and the charge to be paid by Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves, and the amount to be paid by the plaintiff to the defendants in respect thereof, it was arranged between the plaintiff and defendants and Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves, that the quantity of stone and murum so excavated should be admeasured by two surveyors, one to be appointed by Messrs Price, Wills and Reeves, and another to be nominated by the defendants on behalf of the plaintiff. The plaintiff accordingly nominated Mr. Chambers, and Messrs Price, Wills and Reeves nominated Mr. Robertson. The two surveyors measured the quantities, and their measurements were accepted by the parties concerned. It was the duty of the two surveyors to measure only and no matters against them. Disputes having arisen regarding the quantity so excavated, and the charge to be paid by Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves, and the amount to be paid by the plaintiff to the defendants in respect thereof, it was arranged between the plaintiff and defendants and Messrs. Price, Wills and Reeves, that the quantity of stone and murum so excavated should be admeasured by two surveyors, one to be appointed by Messrs Price, Wills and Reeves, and another to be nominated by the defendants on behalf of the plaintiff. The plaintiff accordingly nominated Mr. Chambers, and Messrs Price, Wills and Reeves nominated Mr. Robertson. The two surveyors measured the quantities, and their measurements were accepted by the parties concerned. It was the duty of the two surveyors to measure only and no matters against them. The defendants are Mr. F. R. Hill, and Vali Mahomed Hasan, Cuchee Memon, carrying on business in co-partnership in the name of F. R. Hill and Co., in Church Gate Street.

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THE CONGO RISING.

THE information that the Abir territory in the Congo Free State is under martial law will occasion no surprise to those who have watched the course of events in that country within the last few months. The result of the investigation by King Leopold's Commission has proved unsatisfactory and the natives are more discontented than ever before. No attempt has been made to redress their grievances, for, although the inquiry led to the disclosure of many abuses, every effort has been made to show that they were more imaginary than real, the State finances being charged with considerable sums for the printing and publication of papers "to sustain the State against its detractors. The Company to which the Abir concession was granted was one of the chief offenders against the law and the people. But the King of the Belgians, who is almost the sole proprietor of the Congo Free State, has not thought fit to prevent the Abir Company's Agent taking such steps as please him best to secure a dividend for his shareholders. In exchange for the right of working, the State received a considerable portion—in most cases half—of the shares of those companies and it is not therefore likely to interfere in any manner calculated to diminish its profits. The Commission did not approve of the concession of working powers by the State to private firms, on principle, but recognised that at one time this means of exploitation was rendered necessary by circumstances, for the Senate did not then possess the requisite staff and resources to work its immense territory itself. "It found itself forced to appeal to private enterprise and gratefully accepted the help of enterprising financiers, who did not hesitate to risk their capital in undertakings which sometimes appeared hazardous." It ought to be the object of a State which acquires possessions, such as Belgium did in the Congo, to develop civilisation and humanitarianism. But being hand-in-glove and to a great extent dependent on private companies the State neglected its duty in this direction. Worse still, it permitted the concessionaires to enforce labour. The natives are repugnant to work and as soon as the territory adjacent to villages was exhausted and the labour difficulty became more acutely felt, compulsion was freely resorted to. Then again, as the report of the Commission put it, "in order to allow of exploitation by the companies, the State, which demanded from the native, by way of taxation, contributions in kind or work, relegated a portion of its powers to the concessionary companies ; in other words, it authorised those companies to exact from the blacks the work of gathering rubber, as well as other labour taxes, and to exercise compulsion in order to obtain them."

The Congo Commission found that it was the manner in which the companies misused their right of compulsion that caused most of the abuses recorded. And the Abir Company was the chief offender. In this immense concession there is only one Agent of the State. He is Commander of the Corps of Police stationed at Bassankusu. Although he is a legal police-official he never pointed out to the authorities the illegalities which were committed in the zone under his supervision. His task, it transpired during the inquiry, was limited to suppressing the outbreaks of natives against the agents of the company and making the natives work in refractory villages. And he believed that he had no other task to fulfil. The Company, on whom the State had not laid any responsibility, came to consider itself master in its own territory and the general laws of the State were openly ignored. Special laws too, were set at defiance. The freedom of the native is guaranteed in the most absolute manner by the law and it is provided that the companies shall undertake no military expeditions. But they have done so and still do. Although we are told that the Abir territory is under martial law we have the testimony of the Commission that there is nothing in the law to justify the use of arms against a people whose rebellion is a passive one. But the Company has ere now embarked on punitive expeditions though only allowed a sufficient number of soldiers to protect their houses and offices. A punitive expedition whose object was to inflict exemplary punishment on a village or group of individuals of which some unidentified members have been guilty of a crime or serious attempt to undermine the authority of the State, is not condemned, although the Commission found that in some cases the results were distinctly serious. Doubtless in the case which has led to the proclamation of Martial Law very gave provocation was given, for even King Leopold's nominees aver that a constant watch cannot be exercised over the sanguinary instincts of the soldiers when orders to punish are given by superior authority and it is difficult to prevent the expedition degenerating into a massacre, accompanied by pillage and incendiarism. "Military operations of this character," says the Report, "always exceed the instructions, the punishment being out of all proportion to the crime." They would not go so far as to lay the responsibility at the door of the military commanders, but the Commission was struck with the warlike tone of the reports relating to operations. The officers thought themselves at war and acted thus, though their operations were merely ordered to enforce payment of taxes or to compel the natives to bring in the specified quantities of rubber.

Mr. Stannard, the Missionary recently prosecuted by the Congo officials, has sent to the *Times*, to hand by last mail, a long statement concerning one of these expeditions. When the Commission examined him they practically asked for information as to an outrage at Bolima. At their special request he and other missionaries sent messengers to the village for witnesses, promising them protection in the name of the president of the Commission. "I wish to accentuate this point, to which special importance attaches" writes Mr. Stannard, "for following upon the steps of the Commission to Baringa by a few hours came the Director of the Abir, who called at the Bolima beach, finding the messengers we had sent. Hurrying on to Baringa, he entered the precincts of the Court which was being held (on a steamer) by the Commission with a trumped up charge that he had found our messengers at Bolima telling the natives that they were no longer to work rubber. We immediately called the President's attention to the fact that these messengers were *de facto* his, and not ours, which the President acknowledged, the Director promptly collapsing. Well, the witnesses came, including Lontulu, the chief, and some twenty of his people. Questioned by the Commission, Lontulu gave a fearful story of his experiences, covering some eight or nine years, in the course of which he described murderous attacks committed during the tenure of office of M. Hagstrom as Chief of the Police, in some of which the police—or Regular troops of the State—participated, and in the course of one of which M. Hagstrom himself was present in the village. These murderous attacks were accompanied by acts of almost inconceivable savagery, mutilation and cannibalism, the details of which were described by Chief Lontulu and other witnesses." Mr. Stannard was prosecuted for giving this evidence and judging by the telegram published yesterday, his colleagues are now being similarly dealt with. The King of the Belgians, the other day, proclaimed his rights and desired it to be clearly understood that he would tolerate no interference. Clearly however His Majesty is aware of the many abuses which disfigure his administration of the State as he would not be at such pains and resort to such unworthy means of defending them. The most recent publications designed for the purpose of "sustaining the State against its detractors" are directed for the most part to a comparison of Belgian methods on the Congo with those of Great Britain in India and by much ingenious word-twisting and the juggling with facts the latter are made to appear much more reprehensible and more terrible than anything which has been perpetrated in the name of pacific government in the territory of which the Belgian King claims to be sovereign.

CHEAP CROWN LAND.

SINCE there is scarcely a man who does not, at some time or other, feel a disire to possess land, the announcement of Lord Carrington as to the intention of the Government with regard to Crown Lands and the provision of small holding, has aroused considerable interest in England. For the desire to be a landowner, or at least a tenant of rural land, is even more marked in townsmen than in the agricultural classes. There are many pensioners, civil servants, soldiers, postmen, policemen and retired men of business who look upon a county cottage surrounded by a couple of acres of land as the ideal haven for declining years. There are artisans who possess a laudable ambition to conduct their work in the country in conjunction with the cultivation of fruit or the production and management of live stock and there is an increasing class of individuals who are expert in the breeding of poultry and in the production of flowers, fruit, bees, and even swine, who believe themselves to be able and who, in many cases, are, undoubtedly, able to earn a livelihood in the fresh air if they can only obtain the raw material—the soil—on which to conduct their operations. At present land is unobtainable for the working classes because of the heavy price charged and the fact that it can only be purchased in comparatively large areas. In Australia £10 an acre is a reasonable price for such land as that which comes under Lord Carrington's scheme, and it is the question of price which will make or mar his project. What, then, is to be done with these crown lands? Capitalists are indifferent to them because they prefer to invest their money in estates which are in good condition and practically ready for occupation. Farmers and others, able to find the ways and means, are unwilling to take such land in hand owing to the delay which, in their opinion, would necessarily occur before they could bring it into a prosperous condition, as well as to the cost involved in this operation. And yet, after all, the question is easily solved. The value of land is presumably what it will fetch in the open market, but that value depends upon its area. If a 200 acre farm in poor condition is offered to the public by auction, it may fail to realise £10 an acre. If it is skilfully subdivided, made presentable by the expenditure of a small sum of money, provided with roads and inexpensive homes, it realises double or treble its collective value. And by so doing will be relieved much of the congestion of cities where those who have retired from the stress of life have to contend under unequal conditions with those who are better equipped to face the high rents, rates and other incidentals to town life. It is often objected that cheap land is usually too far from a town or railway station to be of any value. But the railway is not always essential. Means of communication quickly spring up when they are wanted and the lack of a market could not last long after the creation of a supply. But this is not the only point to be considered. England will benefit by the distribution of the population as much as by the reclamation of waste land and these two taken together give the scheme a practical bearing which should not be allowed to become obscured under other considerations.

BESANCON.

BESANCON—the Vesentio of the Romans—seems fated to be the scene of havoc and conflict in every generation. As recorded on another page, a disaster has occurred in the magazine of the Fort, the powder being ignited by lightning, and many lives have been lost. The Besancois by this must be as fatalistic as the Hindus. They have ever had to suffer deeply from what are called in the Law "Acts of Providence." Thirty-six years ago at this time Besançon resounded with the beat of the drums and the sound of the fifes going forth to the war.

"And there were mountings in hot haste, The steed, the mustering squadron, and the clattering car, Went pouring forth with impetuous speed, And swiftly forming in the ranks of war ; And the deep thunder peal on peal afar ! And near, the beat of the alarming drum Roused up the soldier ere the morning star, While thronged the citizens, with terror dumb, Or whispering with white lips The foe ! They come ! They come ! "

For Besancon was a great rendezvous of the soldiers from the south. There the brown Gascon from the south-west, and the rude Provençal from the south-east, met round the camp fires, before marching for the Rhineland for ill-fated Metz and Strassburg. Happily, however Besancon escaped the actual clash of arms. Not so fortunate was she in days of old. In the middle ages Besancon was sometimes a prosperous city, sometimes a deserted ruin. In the twelfth century it passed with the rest of the French e Comte to the German Empire, and was made a free city by Frederick I. Then Besancon was handed over to Spain, and peopled by Spaniards. In 1660 Louis XIV besieged it, and at last by the Peace of Nimeguen it came back to France. In 1814 and 1815 it was invested and bombarded, was nearly ruined, and after a decade or two of struggle became prosperous once more. Besancon used to be a home of culture, religion and justice, but her presperity of late has been such that she had almost forgotten the Providence that rules the destinies of cities. This, her latest reminder of the Omnipresent, should fill her deserted churches and make her Archbishop rejoice. God moves in a mysterious way,

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THE P. & O. Company's s. s. "Peninsular," with the outward Mails of the 7th instant left Aden at 9 p. m. on Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 9 a. m. on Friday next.

DR. CUTHBERT HALL, BARROWS HASKELL lecturer, arrives in Colombo on the 29th instant by a Norddeutscher steamer.

MR. LIVERSEDGE, temporary Engineer, Burma, has been brought on to the Permanent establishment.

H. E. Sir E. S. Poe and Lady Poe are still at Trincomalee. The former arrives in Colombo on the 30th inst.

THE Inspectors of Customs at Calcutta, Bombay, and Rangoon are to receive a special Presidency allowance of Rs. 75 per mensem.

THE homeward bound Messageries Maritimes Co., s.s. Ville de la Ciotat from Bombay arrived at Suez on Sunday at 5 a.m.

THE Ball, which was announced to take place at Government House, Ganeshkhand, on Wednesday, the 19th September, has been postponed to Wednesday, the 26th September.

THE following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyds' s. s. "Trieste," from Trieste, yesterday morning :—Mr. and Mrs. Backwell, Mr. Prinleggand Mr. Reuben.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. & B. I. Railway for the week ending 25th August 1906, shows an increase on the corresponding week of 1905 of 148,230, mds. and Rs. 14,846 in the earnings.

MR. MAYNARD will not return to the post of Excise Commissioner in the Punjab, and the Lieutenant-Governor has expressed his acknowledgments to him for his vigorous administration of the Department.

THE Secretary of State for India has sanctioned a scheme for the re-organisation of the Calcutta Police Force and also for the re-organisation of the superior grades of Police in the Bombay Presidency and in Bengal.

MR. R. E. HOLLAND, I. C. S., on return from leave, has assumed charge of the office as Assistant Secretary, Foreign Department, of the Government of India, from Mr. Wilkinson.

THERE is no news from the Indigo Districts in Easteru India since the depressing intelligence which was published a week ago. The country is still badly flooded and Khoontie prospects show no improvement.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL WILLIAM HULL CAINE, late of the Royal (Madras) Artillery., died suddenly at Haywards Heath on Saturday, August 25. After hurrying to the railway station to meet Lady Meade, his wife's mother, General Caine complained of feeling ill. He was promptly taken to a chemist's, and then to the house of a doctor, but died shortly afterwards. He was in his seventieth year. Lieutenant-General Caine entered the Army in 1855. He served in the Central India campaign from July 1857 to May 1859, retiring from the Service in 1892

EARTHQUAKES are the latest cure for indigestion. Commenting on the San Francisco disaster, the *Hospital* says : "It is an undoubted fact that a great many men and women who were in a poor state of health before the shock, with bad appetites and defective digestion, are now eating all they can get and digesting it without trouble ; whilst the mental condition which so often accompanies the dyspeptic state has equally improved. The explanation is as simple as it is rational. These people were fortunately deprived of their trams, alcohol, and luxuries ; they had nothing but simple food, and they were compelled to take exercise in the open air to get it."

COMMENTING on the atrocious attempt upon M. Stolypin's life the *Times* observes :—"More and more is the struggle in Russia coming to be a struggle, unveiled and uncompromising, between the autocracy and the revolution. Each recurrence of terrorist crime draws the line sharper and clearer, driving the moderates towards the Government, making the position of constitutional reformers impossible, and forcing the Government itself into more ruthless coercion. That is why the outlook of the ordinary political parties is so dark at this moment. The only hope for a temperate and peaceful solution lies in the existence of the Constitutional Democrats, who, it may be hoped, will have the courage to speak out and condemn this wanton terrorist outrage. Could they effect a fusion with such enlightened members of the Octobrist Party as M. Shipoff and M. Stakhovitch—men whose names were the first to be heard of among the Russian reformers—there might still be a chance of their acquiring power, and making an effective use of it. Our correspondent thinks that this combination will be realised, but it has still to be seen whether the wealthy members of the Octobrist party may not be so scared by the terrorist outrages as to refuse to unite themselves even with constitutional reformers."

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* writes on August 28:—"It will be remembered that the chief feature of the review of July 14 at Longchamp was the exhibition to the public of new gun known as 'the 155 short, model Rimailho.' Batteries of this arm are now being tested in the field manœuvres at Langres. Their mobility has been amply proved. The correspondents with the troops about Langres are now reporting at length the details concerning this gun. Yesterday's *Figaro* contained a technical article of considerable interest which only a specialist, however, could thoroughly appreciate. In the *Petit Journal* to-day appears a certain amount of information more intelligible to the public. The gun dates from 1902. The rapidity with which the gun can be taken from its carriage and transported is remarkable. The operation takes only four minutes, and the two parts of the piece thus dismounted weigh each only 2,000 kilogrammes. The projectile weighs about forty kilogrammes. The precision of its fire, even in a fog and in the darkest night, has been proved by some remarkable tests. Nothing like this gun exists in any European army.

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OUR SERIAL STORY.

FLIES IN THE WEB,

BY

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SYNOPSIS OF FORMER CHAPTERS :—Jacob Tawse, a Hebrew money-lender, is found by the caretaker of his offices, Mrs. Zeal, apparently murdered. A woman's stocking stuffed with sand is found in the office, and in the presence of several witnesses Tawse rouses up sufficiently to utter words which arouse suspicion against Rebecca Mendoza, his niece. The second chapter introduces us to Mrs. Benhillo's boarding house, where a meeting takes place between Marion Wallace and her lover Roland Carver, whilst Marion's father, Sir Athelstan, is absent attending the inquest on Tawse. Marion speaks of Tawse as having been her father's old school fellow. Roland Carver appears to be hiding some trouble. Roland presently receives a visit from Owen Mallett, a solicitor, who is the suitor favoured by Sir Athelstan for his daughter's hand. Mallett had frequently assisted Tawse in business, and from knowledge thus gained accuses Roland's brother of forging Tawse's name to a bill. As a prosecution had been about to take place, he suggests that Fred Carver was the murderer. He endeavours by means of threats to extract a promise from Roland to withdraw his suit in regard to Marion. Sir Athelstan evinces peculiar regard for a governess engaged, at Mallett's instigation, for young Dick Wallace, his orphaned grandson. A stormy interview between Roland and Sir Athelstan concludes by the latter undertaking to withdraw his opposition to Roland's suit on condition that he discovers Tawse's murderer. Roland applies for assistance to his friend Jack Werner, who proves to have a personal incentive in endeavouring to track the murderer. Some papers belonging to Tawse are found by Werner in Roland's desk. They refer to Mrs. Benhillo, who is called in and acts very strangely during the interview, although it is evident she did not hide the papers. Werner commences his investigation by a call on Mrs. Zeal, from whom he obtains a scrap of purple embroidery as a clue. He then visits old Miss Mendoza at Maida Vale, and discovers that Rebecca's companion on the night of the murder was Harriett Lizard, the governess. He further discovers that Harriet Lizard and Rebecca Mendoza are half sisters. He is also shown a photograph of Rebecca, which she elder Miss Mendoza has concealed from the police. By the aid of this photograph, on visiting Harriet Lizard's former address, he recognises Rebecca, whom he sees driving away from the house, leaving Mallett standing on the kerb. Gaining entrance into the house Werner has a long interview with the barrister, in which he learns that the woman who has just left is Harriet, and not Rebecca.

CHAPTER XI.

WHO ABEL SAW.

Jack Werner saw no reason to doubt Mallett. This was certainly the house in which Miss Lizard lodged, and the cab was assuredly piled with boxes, as though she were leaving for her situation. Also if the woman in the cab was Rebecca Mendoza, she would not travel with so much luggage. Nevertheless he could not help questioning Mallett in a suspicious way, and at all events he did not allow him to see that his story was believed.

"You have known Miss Lizard a long time?" he asked after a pause. By this time Mallett had resumed his seat, and was watching his visitor as a cat does a mouse. He was more himself, and replied quietly enough to this very leading question. "For some years."

"Tell me what you know about Miss Lizard."

"Really very little," said the barrister with dangerous frankness. "But Mrs. Rook will know. Call her in," and Mallett pulled the handle of an old fashioned bell near the fireplace.

"Is Mrs. Rook the landlady?"

"Yes. She is quite devoted to Miss Lizard, who has lived with her for a long time. She is the only person in the house, and, as you see, being surrounded by high walls the place has always been very private."

"Did Miss Lizard want to be private?"

"I believe she did. You see her voice is very beautiful, and she is desirous of making a fortune on the lyric stage. I believe Tawse presented her with this house—"

"Oh, so the house belongs to Miss Lizard?"

"Yes, and Mrs. Rook, who was a kind of nurse to her, has been the keeper of the place for ages. Miss Lizard has lived here for years. But she liked the seclusion of the place as she was in the habit of acting in the garden—rehearsing as it were. She has made up her mind to be a star singer."

"In that case I wonder why she became a governess."

Mallett laughed, and pulled out a cigar. "That easily explained," said he. "Tawse gave his niece the house, as I said, but would never allow her much money. That is why she went on the stage. Then when Tawse died she found that what she made as a singer was insufficient to keep her and so decided to become a governess for a year or two, so as to save money. Sir Athelstan allows her a good salary, so I expect she will save, and then return here to study for the operatic stage."

"That is if she doesn't marry Sir Athelstan in the meantime," said Werner musingly.

"What do you mean by that?" demanded Mallett violently.

Werner looked at him, surprised that so simple a remark should provoke such an expression of anger. "Only this: Carver told me that Sir Athelstan seems to admire Miss Lizard. In fact Roland fancied that he had not met for the first time when he introduced her to Miss Wallace in Roland's presence."

Mallett resumed his smoking gloomily. "You are right, Werner," said he. "Sir Athelstan saw Harriet on the stage, and fell in love with her. He learned that I knew her, and was always bothering me for an introduction. I refused, as Harriet did not want to be troubled. Then when I learned that Miss Lizard wanted money because her uncle's death had left her almost penniless, I thought of Sir Athelstan who desired a governess for his grandson. I knew that, as Sir Athelstan admired her, he would give her a good salary, which he has done."

"Did he know her before you introduced her as a governess?"

"Yes. He met her twice. Once at Oxford, where that young fool of a Fred Carver was hanging after her. She never liked him. Harriet is a good kind, woman, and—"

He paused as the door opened in a stealthy manner. "But here is Mrs. Rook. Ask her anything you wish to know."

The woman appeared with her dismal face, and weary eyes. Folding her arms under the coarse apron she wore, she began to explain in a whining tone why she had delayed answering the bell. But Mallett cut her short with a gesture. "Tell this gentleman what he wants to know," said he, and went to a chair whereon lay his over-coat. While he put this on Jack questioned the dreary housekeeper.

"Do you know if Miss Rebecca Mendoza was in the habit of coming here to see Miss Lizard?" he asked.

"Of course she did," groaned Mrs. Rook.

"Why bless you, sir, them two were as thick as cream, pretty dears."

"They were very much alike?"

"Dresden chiner ornaments couldn't have been liker," said Mrs. Rook with the expression of an undertaker. "Lovely they were and happy, poor sweets, being half sisters, sir."

"Oh, you knew that?"

"Of course I did, sir. Didn't Mr. Tawse, as was killed, come here lots of times to see my mistress as was his niece, and didn't he months and months ago bring Miss Rebecca Mendoza to place her in my Harriet's arms saying they was sisters. I knows everything."

"I am glad to hear that," remarked Jack dryly. "Do you know if Miss Lizard and Miss Rebecca went to the Piccadilly Theatre on the eight of November."

"Well do I know," wailed Mrs. Rook. "Seeing as my poor dear mistress lost her uncle that same night by murder. They dined here on a chop and went away in a cab together. My mistress came back alone—"

"At what time?"

"You might call it eight o'clock—no you might'n't—it was nine."

"Be precise, Mrs. Rook. Was it eight or nine."

"Nine, if I die for it," wept Mrs. Rook. "And please don't doubt me, sir, as am a poor trod-down critture, the widder of an evil husband."

"Why did Miss Lizard come back alone so early?"

"She said the play was dull, and that she got tired, poor dear. I made her a cup of beef-tea, and she went to bed like a lamb. Then she woke up next day at noon to hear as her uncle was murdered, it being in all the papers with the boys hollering the same."

"Why did not Miss Rebecca return with your mistress?"

Mrs. Rook exhibited lively surprise. "And why should she, having a home of her own with Miss Mendoza?"

"Oh, then she did not intend to sleep here."

"Not on that night, sir. Sometimes she stopped here and sometimes she didn't, as the fancy took her. Miss Lizard, my poor pretty, was away much on concert tours, but when she come back her half sister Miss Rebecca would come and stop with her. And that Miss Mendoza didn't like it," went on Mrs. Rook with mournful looks. "Being old and sharp-like. She said as Miss Rebecca was away for days and days from her lawful home, which she was. But not always here sir, as I won't deceive you, as she went time and again to her uncle Tawse at Hampstead."

"The fact is this," said Mallett, who had assumed his over-coat and was putting on his gloves. "Miss Lizard was away weeks on tours, but when she was at home here, Rebecca came to her. Miss Mendoza complained much of Rebecca's absence from home, but would not receive Miss Lizard, having some foolish prejudice against play-actors So as to avoid being nagged at, Rebecca often stopped at Tawse's Hampstead house, and told Miss Mendoza so. Thus she could see Harriet as often as she liked without being cried down."

"A queer life," said Jack, who was beginning to grow weary : then he turned to Mrs. Rook. "Did Miss Lizard say that Miss Rebecca had gone home?" he asked.

"No, she didn't. She said never a word," rejoined Mrs. Rook promptly. "And I never asked her, Miss Rebecca being always unexpected in her movements like a fly, as you might say." Werner looked keenly at the mournful wrinkled countenance before him, and decided that the woman was speaking the truth. Apparently the two girls had gone to the theatre so far as Mrs. Rook knew, and Miss Lizard had returned home early with an obvious excuse. Without doubt, Rebecca had been to see Tawse and her half sister knew of it. But the strange thing was that Rebecca had not come back to change her frock, for if guilty, her evening-dress would certainly have helped the police to trace her. "You are sure Miss Rebecca did not come back," said Jack.

"May Rook come to life if she did," was the woman's extraordinary rejoinder. "And if you knew, sir, what a wicked man he was to me, as is pore and down-trod, you'd never ask me to swear a wuss oath."

Jack nodded and turned away, so Mrs. Rook after a glance at Mallett made for the door. Werner stopped her as she opened it. "Did Miss Lizard wear a purple dress or cloak?"

"No, sir, she didn't. She couldn't bear purple, nor could her half-sister, bless their hearts for real ladies."

This was what Miss Mendoza had said as regards Rebecca, so it was not improbable that Harriet Lizard had the same dislike to this particular colour. "Well," said Jack, as Mrs. Rook lingered at the door. "I am about to see Miss Lizard at Brighton, so perhaps she will tell me what became of Rebecca."

"Why, Miss Rebecca went home," insisted Mrs. Rook, and flounced out of the room. Her voice was heard murmuring in the passage to the effect that the strange gent should never harm her pretty one. It was thus apparent that Mrs. Rook had her doubts as to Harriet Lizard's presumed ignorance. But she had answered fairly enough, and Werner could think of no other question to put. The solution of the mystery of Rebecca's movements on that night could be solved only by Miss Lizard. To Miss Lizard at Brighton therefore Jack determined to apply.

"Well," said Mallett dryly. "If you are quite satisfied that we don't harbour a murderess here, perhaps you will go."

"I am quite ready. Do you wait here?"

"No. I want to come also."

Werner nodded, and they left the house together. At the door Mrs. Rook pulled him by the sleeve. "Come back," she whispered, and added emphatically : "Alone!"

Mallett was going down the asphalt path and did not hear this remark, so Jack replied in a whisper that he would be back soon, and when on the road, set himself to work to get rid of Mallett.

Having accomplished his purpose, he approached the gate of number twenty-five, and found Mrs. Rook waiting there with a shawl over her head. She looked lean and mournful in the dim light of the lamp, and kept the gate half open as though to dodge back at the least sign of danger. "Is he away?" she asked, peering up the road.

"Yes. You won't see him. What is it?"

Mrs. Rook grasped Jack's arm. "Will he marry her?" she asked.

"What do you mean."

"That Mr. Mallett and my pretty Harriet. She loves him, and they are as good as engaged. Will he marry her?"

Werner remembering Mallett's sentiments regarding Marion shook his head. "I don't think he has the least intention of marrying her." He expected an outburst, but none came. Mrs. Rook dropped his arm and backed into the gate which swung to her movement. "I knowed as it was the money he was after," sighed Mrs. Rook. "If that old Tawse had left my pretty Harriet an heiress, she would have had her heart's desire. Yes," she added with energy, "and if that Miss Rebecca had got the money, he'd have married her. But some baronet's got it," she sobbed. "He can't marry a baronet."

"He might marry the baronet's daughter," said Jack, who was beginning to see light. Mallett, apparently was after the Tawse fortune.

"What," cried Mrs. Rook shrilly. "Is he after another lady?"

"Yes. After Miss Wallace, the daughter of—"

"I know, Sir Athelstan Wallace as my pretty Harriet has gone to be a governess to. Go and tell her, sir, or shall I go myself?"

"What good will it do to tell her?" asked Jack.

"She won't have it," exclaimed Mrs. Rook, with the tears streaming down her worn face. "They're as good as engaged, my pretty one and that Mallett as is as wicked as Rook was, before he went where he deserved to go, and hush," she grasped Werner's arm, as a tuneful whistle was heard. "There's him—there's him."

"How do you know?"

"I know's the tune he's whistling," gasped Mrs. Rook, overcome with terror. "The Dead March, ain't it, as I've heard at funerals. Oh, keep him away and never say as I told you as my pretty Harriet loves him, or he'll be the death of me."

"But tell me if—" began Jack, laying a grasp on her arm. Mrs. Rook, as the whistle grew clearer and more solemn, tore herself away from Werner and darted into the garden, banging the gate after her. Werner stood where he was and heard the dismal notes of the whistling. It was certainly the Dead March in Saul that the musician was sending forth on the dark night, and Jack waited grimly hoping to catch Mallett should he return. Then he would learn from him what was the hint regarding Lady Winceby.

The whistler came along and at the sight of Jack against the gate stopped. He proved to be a boy. "I'm sorry to be late, sir, but you see, Mr. Mallett, mother's that clever as—oh crickey," he caught sight of Werner's face, "You ain't my master."

"No. So Mr. Mallett's your master. Then you must be Abel Zeal."

"That's my name, sir," said the boy defiantly. "There's nothing wrong with it?"

"Your mother told me that you had seen something or someone on the night Tawse was killed," said Jack quickly, and going to the point at once. "Who was it?"

Abel whistled. "Mr. Mallett said I wasn't to tell."

"I'll give you a sovereign if you do," said Werner bringing out the coin.

"Hand it along," said Abel. "If you must know it was a cove as I'd see in master's office and with Mr. Tawse. Carver he was, Mr. Frederick Carver, and he was coming down the stairs on the night of the murder."

(To be continued on Thursday.)

SPEAKING at his coming-of-age festivities at Castle Ashby, Earl Compton referred with humorous disparagement to his learning, but added that with the help of spurs he could cling to a horse, and he had been known to shoot pheasants occasionally ; while as a motorist he had the distinction of never having been caught in a police trap.

A BERLIN correspondent writes (Aug. 27) :—The German cruiser *Hansa*, which is now returning home after an absence of seven years in the China seas, and which has touched at Hongkong and Singapore on the way, has received orders to proceed to the Gulf of Martaban before calling at Colombo. The so-called "special mission" has as its avowed object the promotion of German commercial interests in the region of the mouths of the Irrawaddy by showing the German flag before Rangoon.

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THE STATE OF RUSSIA.

GENERAL TREPOFF'S SUCCESSOR.

Terror at Warsaw.

FEARED MASSACRE OF JEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 16.

Gangs of roughs are terrorising the inhabitants of Odessa, and are assaulting and robbing students and Jews in the streets in the presence of the Police

It is stated that the Government is organising a massacre of Jews at Warsaw, where a terrible panic prevails.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 17.

General Diedulien, Commander of the Gendarmerie, has been appointed to succeed the late General Trepoff as Commander of the Palace.

MR. HALDANE ON DISARMAMENT.

International Co-operation Necessary.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 16.

Mr. Haldane, in his Newcastle speeches, further stated that he approved of disarmament, but that there must be co-operation among the Powers for the same, as England could not afford to put herself in a weak position.

MR. KEIR-HARDIE ON SOCIALISM.

The Future Parties of the State.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 16.

At a Labour demonstration to-day, Mr. Keir-Hardie declared that the struggle between Labour, which was necessarily Socialism, and both Conservatism and Liberalism, must proceed until only Socialist and anti-Socialist Parties were in the State.

EXPLOSION OF A MAGAZINE.

Enormous Damage.

EFFECT OF A THUNDERSTORM.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER, 17.

A tremendous explosion has taken place at a Fort near Besancon in France, it is believed, owing to the powder magazine being struck by lightning.

Nine soldiers and civilians were killed and the roads near the Fort destroyed and the windows in neighbouring villages smashed.

THE CUBAN REBELLION.

Suspension of Hostilities.

LONDON SEPTEMBER, 17.

Mr. Secretary Taft and Mr. Bacon have started for Havana.

After consultation with the Insurgent Leaders, the Cuban Government announced its indefinite suspension of hostilities, the object being to make peace before Mr. Taft arrives or the United States intervenes.

ARREST OF A GANG OF COINERS.

Sensation in Paris.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 17.

A sensation has been caused in Paris by the arrest of fifty-five of a gang of coiners. Correspondence shows that they had confederates in Germany, Great Britain and Spain and that preparations had been made to operate in Chicago and Argentina.

It is believed that certain well known families are implicated.

AMERICA AND MOROCCO.

United States Minister Proceeds to Fez.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 17.

Mr. Gummere, the American Minister in Morocco, has started for Fez on a special mission.

OBITUARY.

Sir Edward Chichester.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 17.

The death is announced of Rear Admiral Sir Edward Chichester, Admiral Superintendent at Gibraltar.

[Rear-Admiral Sir Edward Chichester, Bart., C. B., C. M. G., was born on 20th November 1849 and succeeded his father in 1898 to the Baronetcy. He married Catherine Emma, daughter of the late Commander R. C. Whyte, R. N., He was Naval Aide-de Camp to Queen Victoria, 1899-1901, Naval Aide-de-Camp to King Edward VII, 1901-2. He was made Rear-Admiral in 1902. He served in South Africa as Chief Naval Transport Officer, 1899-1901, and was mentioned in despatches.]

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

ADEN, SEPTEMBER 16.

The P. & O. Company's s. s. "Peninsular" with the English Mails of the 7th instant, left here for Bombay at 9 p. m. to-day. The same Company's s. s. "Britannia" left here for Colombo and Australia also at 9 p. m. to-day.

NAWAB AFSUR JUNG'S HEALTH.

Decided Improvement.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, SEPTEMBER 17.

Nawab Afsur Jung, Bahadur, is much better. The crisis has passed. The bleeding has stopped, and Doctors Gimtette and Naidu are in constant attendance.

The Nawab is now able to converse freely and attend to urgent correspondence

LORD MINTO BAGS A BEAR.

Good Himalayan Specimen.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

His Excellency the Viceroy bagged a good specimen of Himalayan bear this morning between Harkunda and Matiana.

THE AMIR'S VISIT TO INDIA.

Presentation of a Mahomedan Address.

THE AGA KHAN LIKELY TO HEAD THE DEPUTATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 17.

Last night a meeting of the leading Mahomedans here was held to consider the draft of an Address proposed to be presented to the Amir, through the Viceroy, by the Mahomedan community of India. Among those present were the Raja of Mahmodabad, the Raja of Maushad, Ali Khan Sheikh Shalid Kasain and the brother of the Nawab of Dacca.

The draft of the Address was unanimously adopted, and a deputation of thirty-six of the leading Mahomedans was appointed to present the Address.

It was decided to ask H. H. the Aga Khan, who arrives in Bombay from England on the 21st, to head the deputation.

ALTERATION OF DATES.

NO INFORMATION FROM KANDAHAR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The reply of the Amir to the Government of India's suggestion as to alteration of dates of the proposed visit was expected at Simla to-day, but up to the present time no answer has arrived.

THE ANJUMAN-ISLAMIA DEPUTATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 17.

A general meeting of the Anjuman-i-Islamia has been held at Lahore in the local Mahomedan Hall in order to consider the draft of a Memorial which the All-India Islamia Deputation is shortly to present to the Viceroy at Simla. The following gentlemen will represent the Punjab on the deputation :—The Raja of Japandad Khan, C. I.E.; the Hon'ble Nawab Fateh Ali Khan, C.I.E ; the Hon'ble Malik Umar Hayat Khan, C.I.E ; and Mr. Muhammad Shafi, Barrister-at-law.

THE PUNJAB CRIMINAL REPORTS.

Procedure for Discouraging Vexatious Litigation.

THE CHIEF COURT'S REPORT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 17.

The Judges of the Chief Court of the Punjab comment at length on the recurring features of the litigious tendencies of the people of the Province and the extreme readiness with which petty disputes are carried into Courts and, under cover of a criminal charge of false complaints, are filed in order either to vent a grudge against an enemy or to bring pressure to bear on a neighbour to attain some private end.

Some striking statistics taken from the Gurdaspur returns are given in the report, and it is shown that in that one district alone the time taken up in dealing with trivial cases, not one of which resulted in a conviction, is sufficient to occupy the full working hours of one Magistrate for a year !

A somewhat similar state of affairs seems to prevail in Sialkot, where the District Magistrate suggests a withdrawal of the power to file written complaints as a suitable remedy for the evil under notice.

In considering the possible solutions of this important question, the Report of the Judges again draws attention to the imperative necessity of a still more extensive use of the power of Summary Dismissal and of awarding compensation, which Sections 203 and 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code afford, and points out the moral by illustrations drawn from Ferozepore and Hoshiarpur districts, where the free use of these powers has produced a very marked effect on the criminal returns.

The Lieutenant-Governor states that he is fully in accord with the views of the Judges on the necessity for repressing, to the fullest extent allowed by law, the evil referred to and he hopes that signs of activity in this respect which have been displayed with beneficial results by the Magistracy in certain districts, will, in due course, extend to their Province as a whole.

The steps which the Judges have taken to reduce the scale of the second grade Petition Writers in districts, where the numbers appear to be excessive, should, also, His Honour thinks, prove to be an important factor in discouraging litigiousness, and it only remains, he adds, for the Local Courts to see that these men confine themselves to their legitimate duties and do not pose as Legal Advisers.

HEAVY RAIN IN SRINAGAR.

The Jhelum Rising.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 17.

A Srinagar telegram, dated Sunday, reports that on account of the incessant rain the river Jhelum is rising rapidly and a flood is imminent.

ALLEGED CHEATING.

Reward of Rs. 100 Offered.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 17.

Mr. H. Jones of whom I reported on the 12th instant, the person who is alleged to have obtained, by means of a cheque, Rs. 1,500 from the Dehra Dun Bankers, Messrs. Bhugwandas and Co., and to have gone away with the money and a cheque-book of the Bank, has been negotiating a cheque of Rs. 121 on the same bankers through the Alliance Bank at Lahore. The cheque has, of course, been referred to the drawer, Messrs. Bhugwandass and Co. who have advertised a reward of Rs. 100 for the apprehension of Mr. Jones.

KHARAGPUR WORKSHOPS ON FIRE.

Building and Records Destroyed.

SUSPECTED WORK OF INCENDIARIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 17.

Report has been received here of a serious fire at the Workshop Offices of the Bengal-Nagpur Railway at Kharagpur. It is said that a good portion of the office has been completely burned down and a large number of records destroyed. The rumours is that the fire is attributed to incendiarism.

Quite a hundred Bengal Armed Police are guarding the station, and this fire, which occurred on Saturday morning, is not only inexplicable, but it occurred while the police were on duty is surprising.

AN EXAGGERATED REPORT.

FIRE DUE TO FUSING OF ELECTRIC WIRE

LATER.

In connection with the reported fire at Khargpur it turns out to have been a trivial affair. It broke out in the roof of the Loco office, due, it is supposed, to a defective electric wire, and the damage caused was slight.

BEPIN CHANDRA PAL AT SYLHET.

Alleged Incitement of Boys to Boycott.

TRADERS UNDER POLICE PROTECTION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 17.

A Sylhet correspondent of the *Englishman* states that as a consequence of the visit of Bepin Chandra Pal to that station and his recent violent speaking, a number of school boys have put themselves into strict training for the overthrow of the Raj, and they meet every day after dusk in the house of a pleader where they are taught the use of the *lathi* by two men, who have been brought down at great expense from Barisal and Mymensingh.

The boys are terrorising the Mahomedan and Marwari dealers in European goods and the Deputy Commissioner has issued orders to the police to afford necessary protection to traders and others.

Paid agents of *Golden Bengal* are also actively working in the Sylhet district distributing their seditious circulars.

THE PARTITION OF BENGAL.

Consequent Reduction of Salaries.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE AFFECTED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

Owing to the Partition of Bengal and the consequent decrease of work, the Members of the Board of Revenue, Bengal, will in future receive Rs. 3,750 in lieu of Rs. 4,000 each per mensem.

TREE-FELLING ACCIDENT.

Two Women Killed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 17.

A fatality attended tree-cutting operations here on Saturday afternoon. Some men were engaged in a compound felling a lofty tree and were pulling on a rope which was tied round it when the rope broke and the tree fell outward. A portion going over the compound wall, fell on two women who were gathering sticks. One of the women was killed outright and the other was so badly injured that she is not expected to live. She was removed to the Balrampur Hospital.

On realizing what had occurred the tree-fellers were terror-striken and ran away.

LATER.

The other woman who was injured in the tree-felling accident in a precarious state.

DEPUTY POSTMASTERS-GENERAL.

Graded with Increased Salaries.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17

The Secretary of State for India has sanctioned an increase of pay for Deputy Postmasters-General who, in future, will be divided into three grades : The 1st grade to draw from Rs. 1,200 to Rs. 1,400 a month ; 2nd grade Rs. 1,000 ; and 3rd grade Rs. 800.

The Deputy Inspector-General of the Railway Mail Service will be included in the 3rd grade.

FIRE IN A JUTE AND COIR GODOWN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDNT.)

RANGOON, SEPTEMBER 15.

A disastrous fire broke out last night, involving a loss of Rs 45,000, in a godown owned by Messrs. Mapara Brothers, native dealers in jute, coir, rope and oakum.

The godown destroyed was hired on the 1st instant and was insured on the 5th with the Salamander Fire Insurance Company for Rs. 20,000, with the Liverpool, London and Globe for Rs. 20,000 and with the Phœnix Fire Insurance Company for Rs. 10,000.

The godown had been closed during the last four days preceding the fire. The Fire Brigade turned out and extinguished the flames in two hours

LATEST REPORT FROM GILGIT.

Road in Danger of Being Blocked.

MR. NORTH'S NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 17,

A Srinagar correspondent states that Mr. North, the new Superintendent of Telegraphs, Kashmir, has returned from his tour of inspection along the Gilgit road. From all accounts the road is in bad condition and at any time slips may occur near Doisin which will cut off all communication with Gilgit. Mr. North had a nasty accident and a narrow escape from death on his return journey in one place where the road was particularly bad and the path very narrow. His horse stumbled and fell with the rider down the Khud hundreds of feet, below which the river rushes. Luckily their descent was stopped by the undergrowth, and the man and horse suffered nothing worse than a few scratches and bruises.

THE S. S. "GOA."

Calcutta to Akyab Mails.

TWELVE BAGS GONE DOWN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 15.

News has been received that twelve mails bags, one containing correspondence and the rest postal parcels, were despatched from Calcutta for Akyab by the British India Steam Navigation Company's s.s. "Goa," which has been wrecked about a hundred miles east of Mulla Island, in the Sunderbunds, and cannot at present be got at. When the weather improves every effort will be made to recove as much as possible of these mails.

PURCHASE OF A PILOT CRUISER.

For Conveyance of Wireless Telegraph Appliances.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 17.

It has been decided to provide a second steam pilot cruiser, fitted with all the necessary appliances for wireless telegraphy, to work in conjunction with the steam cruiser "Fraser" at the Sandheads.

Essen is credited with harbouring many Anarchists, and careful precautions are being taken to ensure the Kaiser's safety during his approaching visist to the Krupp family there. No foreign workmen unknown to the police and to the overseers at the works are being employed, says the *Telegraph's* Berlin correspondent, and from numerous towns in Rhenish Prasela detectives are being concentrated on Essen.

NEW DOCK FOR COLOMBO.

To be Opened next Month.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COLOMBO SEPTEMBER 17.

Arrangements are being made to open the Colombo graving dock in October 15th. The flagship "Hermes" usually proceeding for docking to Bombay about that time being the first vessel to dock here. Only the final dredging of the entrance channel remains.

The construction of the dock commenced in March 1899.

PERADENIYA RUBBER EXHIBITION.

Philippine Exhibits Expected.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COLOMBO, SEPTEMBER 17.

The Secretary of the Peradeniya rubber exhibition to-day received information that Mr. W. L. Hutcheson of the Mindavoo Island Forest department has been appointed to represent the Philippines at the Exhibition and has sailed on the 8th instant from Manila for Colombo bringing Philippine rubber exhibits.

DOVETON SOCIETY'S PROPERTY IN CALCUTTA.

Provisional Injunction Against Sale.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 17.

At the Calcutta High Court to-day before the vacation Bench Mr. Zorab, Barrister, on behalf of plaintiffs applied for an order staying the order made by Mr. Justice Bodily on 24th August giving the Receiver liberty to sell the 33 Park Street property of the Doveton Society. The other side said the property was worth Rs. 2,50,000 and desired to sell it to Mr. Harry Jones, an Attorney of the High Court. Mr. Zorab said the property would fetch more if sold by public auction. Their Lordships ordered stay of the sale on plaintiffs' depositing Rs. 4,000 with the Receiver by Friday next ; otherwise Mr. Justice Bodily's orders to be executed.

The salaries of school masters for September and October had to be paid and funds were also required to carry out repairs to the school premises.

THE KIDNAPPING SCARE.

Two Assaulters Sent to Prison.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate Calcutta delivered judgment to-day in the case in which Hiralal Ghose and Sheikdin Ali were charged with rioting and causing hurt to Gungasing and Gendasing by striking them on their heads with lathies on 23rd August in Moorghihatta. These men were assaulted on a false cry that they were kidnappers. Both the accused were found guilty and sentenced to three months' imprisonment each.

MADRAS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE.

Death of a Professor.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 17.

I regret to announce the death after short illness of Mr. F. P. H. Stirling M. A., Professor of Mathematics in the Madras Christian College, at the early age of 26.

Mr. Sterling was a distinguished student of the Glasgow University where he graduated with first class honours in mathematics, a distinction competed for by graduates of all the Scottish Universities. After completing his course in Glasgow, he went to Caubridge and in the mathemetical tripes obtained the position of twelfth Wrangler in 1904.

Mr. Sterling then was a student in the Glasgow Theological College of the United Free Church and was appointed Professor of Mathematics in the Christian College, Madras. Mr. Sterling not only discharged the duties of his office with the ability which he had displayed throughout his academic career, but also threw himself with ardour into the various departments of Christian work. He was the organising Secretary of the Christian Endeavour Conference which is to be held in Madras this week.

SURVEY OF MADRAS HARBOUR.

To be Carried out by R. I. M. S. "Investigator."

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 17.

The Madras Port Trust Board has been informed that a resurvey of the Madras Harbour and roadstead will be carried out by the R. I. M. S. "Investigator" on the completion of this season's work on the Coast of Burma.

RAILWAY RATES FOR COALS.

Madras Chamber Urges Reduction.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MBDRAS, SEPTEMBER 17.

The Madras Chamber of Commerce has taken up the question of reduced railway rates for coal. In their letters to the Madras and South Indian Railways, the Chamber points out that while the East Indian, the Bengal-Nagpur, the G.I.P, the Nizam's, and the Bombay-Baroda Railways have agreed to reduce the minima rates sanctioned by the Government of India through the Railways Board, the railways in Southern India have so far refused to follow their example. This refusal the Committee of the Indian Mining Association contend is no less opposed to development of coal trade than to railways' own interests.

THE S. P. G. COLLEGE TRICHINOPOLY.

Foundation-stone Laying of a Hindu Hostel.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 14

The ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of the hostel for Hindu students of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel's College at Trichinopoly took place on Saturday afternoon at the site proposed for the hostel, which is in the neighbourhood of the college buildings, in the presence of a large gathering of both European and Native gentry, the function being performed by Mr. T. Desikachari, High Court Vakil, a leading member of the Hindu Community.

MEMBER FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

Mr. Finlay's Appointment Approved

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

His Majesty the King-Emperor has approved of the appointment of Mr. J. F. Finlay C. S. I., a Member of the Council of the Secretary of State for India to be Member of the Governor-General's Council in charge of the Commerce and Industry Department of the Government of India in succession to the Hon'ble Mr. J. P. Hewett C. S. I., C. I. E.,

UNDER THE SOUTHERN CROSS.

The Federal Capital.

TATTERSALLS AND GAMBLING.

TARIFF QUESTIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, AUGUST 29.

There is no combination of the followers of Mr. Reid and those of Mr. Watson on behalf of the Canberra site for the Federal capital. There is, however, a union of purpose in the minds of a section of the Opposition and a section of the Labor party with respect to the Canberra site, and a desire to substitute that new site for Dalgety, the present selection of the Federal Parliament. The entire capital site question is not, however, in any sense a party one, though a tactical attack is being made on Dalgety by a reunited force of its old opponents. The Senate, however, is as strong for Dalgety as ever it was. The defection of Sir Josiah Symon counts for little in Federal capital matters, and is more than balanced by the adhesion of several members to Dalgety as the result of the last visit. When the Government's bill relating to the capital question comes before the House of Representatives there will, nevertheless, be a keen tussle between the pro-Sydney faction and the advocates of a national site. It is quite on the cards that Albury, as well as Canberra and Tooma, will be given another run in opposition to Dalgety. A vigorous canvass is now proceeding in the lobbies.

ANTI-HOME RULE.

The Adelaide central committee charged with obtaining signatures to an address against interference by the Commonwealth Parliament with the Home Rule question met this afternoon, and decided that the address be sent to the Melbourne committee, with a request that it be presented to the Governor-General to be forwarded to the King. The report read by the secretary stated that 24,000 South Australians had signed the memorial, but that a large number of those to whom it had been submitted, though fully in sympathy with it, had refrained from signing because of their fear of boycott by Irish Roman Catholics. "The dread of boycott," continues the report, "which has perhaps been most marked in the country districts, brings into strong relief the evils which result from the introduction of this question into Australian life."

GENERAL FINN'S FAREWELL.

Splendid testimony to the efficiency and discipline of the Australian citizen soldier was paid by Major-General H. Finn at a largely attended complimentary dinner tendered to him at the Vienna Cafe on Saturday evening by the officers of the Commonwealth Military Forces in Victoria. In replying to the toast of his health the General said :—The position he occupied as Inspector-General had been misunderstood. He had no executive power whatever; he had only to inspect and report. Those responsible for the administration had not been bound to accept any of his suggestions in his reports or otherwise. He was astonished at the ignorance of some public men as to the duties specially allotted to him. He had been supposed to be asort of Commandant or G. O. C., whereas he was neither. Anything foreign to his duties was distinctly liable to be misconstrued. Throughout his Australian career he had borne in mind that it was his duty to be loyal to the Governments under which he had served. What manner of success he had attained had been due to the loyal assistance of the officers and men who had served on his staff. He desired to take this opportunity of bearing testimony to the highly patriotic spirit permeating the Commonwealth forces. With reference to the discipline of the Australian, he held a different opinion from that expressed by many people who did not know him thoroughly. It all depended how they regarded discipline. Discipline was going on in Australian warehouses, factories and shops. The discipline was to all intents and purposes the same as that of the soldier. The Australian soldier man gave obedience and respect when he found you were entitled to it. If the officers knew their work, and showed their men what was expected from them, they would get as much obedience from the natives of this country as from those of any other. Ever since he had been in Australia he had set a high standard of efficiency before him. He had made mistakes—errors of judgment and temper—but he did not intend to apologise for them. He was only human.

PROTECTIONIST SATURDAY.

"Protectionist Saturday" was celebrated by bringing the campaign in the city to a culminating point with the enrolment of the factory workers, who have been addressed in the course of the last few months on the fiscal issue by a number of protectionist speakers and by the inauguration of the campaign in the country. Enrolment forms, containing about 1,500 names, were received by Mr. S. Mauger, M. P., the Secretary of the Protectionist Association. A large number of returns has yet to come in. Membership cards are being issued to each person enrolled. The association is also increasing its membership in the country districts at a rate which indicates that a very lively interest is being taken in the question of making the tariff effective. Mr. Mauger states that during the many years he has been hon. secretary of the association there has never been anything approaching either the number of members on the roll or the universal interest evinced in the work of the organisation. About 150,000 leaflets have been distributed during the last few months, and every mail brings requests for more literature, not only from country places in Victoria, but from all parts of the Commonwealth. The officers of the association are especially pleased with the enrolment of artisans and workers generally, as showing the importance they attach to the securing of an effective tariff. Manufacturers also who previously stood aloof from the work of the association are enrolling and taking an active interest in the coming elections.

SUPPRESSION OF GAMBLING.

The State Government intends in its forthcoming legislation for the suppression of gambling to make an honest attempt to put down effectively some at least of the most flagrant abuses connected with the evil, and to minimise as far as possible the facilities for indulging in it. The provisions against gambling in the present law, excellent as they are in intention, have been ineffective in practice, and one chief aim of the new bill will be to perfect the administrative provisions of the law. The loophole through which Mr. Wren has been able to defy the authorities in their attempts to stop the Collingwood "tote" will be effectually blocked by giving the police enlarged powers of inspection and search, as was proposed in the bill which Mr. Isaacs submitted to the Legislative Assembly some years ago. Mr. Wren used the law itself to evade the law. By surrounding the "tote shop" with tenements in the occupation of other people, who, of course, are simply his tools, and giving access to the gambling arcana only through this legal barricade, he, in effect, prevented the police from gaining entrance except by breaking through the premises of private persons, an act that would be a violation of the law as it at present stands. Drastic provisions will be incorporated in the new bill for the purpose of suppressing the so-called "clubs" or places to which people resort for the purpose of betting. Just as small-pox is regarded as so dangerous to the physical life of the community that the place of outbreak is quarantined, so gambling resorts will be proclaimed as infected areas, and any persons going in or coming out of them will be liable to penalties. Power will be given to a judge of the Supreme Court to issue an order for "proclamation" upon an ex-parte statement of the informant that he has reasonable suspicion that the premises are used for gaming purposes. The onus of proof will then be on the suspected person if he appeals against the order Under the present licensing law, although it may be impossible to obtain legal proof that the act is being systematically evaded, yet it lies within the province of the licensing bench to refuse to renew a licence if reasonable suspicion exists, or, in other words, that there is no moral doubt that the licensee is breaking the law. The same sort of evidence will apply in the case of gaming houses.

TATTERSALL'S SWEEPS.

An action has been commenced in the Supreme Court in the name of the Attorney-General against Abraham Hyam Moses, of the Melbourne Loan and Discount Company. Plaintiff's claim is for a penalty of £200 under statute 6th George II., c. 35, for that defendant, between 1st and 13th September, 1905, procured for one Clement Bell a ticket belonging to a "foreign lottery," being a certain number in Tattersall's Monster Cash Prize Consultation No. 1 Caulfield Cup, run on 21st October, 1905, and to be drawn at Hobart, Tasmania, on or before that date. Defendant is also charged with having received money for such ticket, with having sold a ticket in a lottery not authorised by an act of Parliament and likewise with having published a proposal or scheme for the sale of tickets for such lotteries. The matter was mentioned in the Practice Court by Mr. Lowers, on behalf of the Crown, who desired that, pending the hearing of the action, certain law points should be determined by the Full Court. These were whether the acts of 6th George II. and 4th George IV., under which the proceedings are taken were in force in Victoria ; whether, in view of Federation, a lottery carried on in Tasmania could be considered to be a "foreign" lottery ; and whether the exhibition of a signboard by defendant bearing the notice "Communications to George Adams, Tattersall's, by every mail" amounts to the publication of a scheme for the sale of tickets in a lottery. Mr. Hay, who represented defendant, agreed, and a formal order was made by the Acting Chief Justice, referring the points raised for consideration of the Full Court.

AUSTRALIA AND ARMY RATIONS.

The advisability of obtaining food supplies from Victoria for the army and navy is being kept before the Imperial authorities by the Agent-General. In a despatch to the Premier Mr. Taverner states that he has had a conversation with Mr. Murray, the head of the victualling branch of the Admiralty, as to the probable action of the Admiralty in regard to the butter supply. A committee has been appointed to consider the question of abolishing the canteen system in the navy, and nothing will be done until the report is received. Should it be decided to abolish the present system, the Admiralty will supply the butter direct to the ships, and will obtain the butter and other supplies direct. The Admiralty has no contract with any American firm for the supply of tinned meat, and there is not much prospect of any movement in the trade at present. Under the navy regulations, the men are served with tinned meat on two days of the week, and on other days if they desire it, but in consequence of the scare about the character of the American article they religiously restrict themselves to the regulation days. The Admiralty always keeps in reserve 1,000,000 lbs. of tinned meat. Unlike the Admiralty, the War Office has some running contracts with American firms. An Officer has been appointed to visit America and report upon the general condition and management of the American tinning factories ; but as Mr. Taverner points out, everything will be in first-class order by the time he gets there. When the supplies for the War Office are required, every consideration is promised for Australian meat.

COAL TRADE TROUBLE.

It is a most unfortunate circumstance that just when Queensland coal seemed to be coming to the front and owners of large steamers were showing themselves willing to take a share of their requirements from this State, trouble should again occur in the labour ranks of the West Moreton district. Recognising the increased demand, and that the trade of the port seemed to be in a somewhat more prosperous state than usual, the Miners' Union was evidently of the opinion that the time was opportune for pressing its demands for an increase of rates, and this proposed increase is shadowed forth in a scheme of differential scale of wages. For that purpose West Moreton has been divided into two seams, Aberdare and New Chum. This scheme will shortly be submitted to the proprietors for consideration. The proposed increase is of such a character that one proprietor is reported to have said that it will mean a difference in the coal cutting of five pence per ton. Another declares that should the proposed scheme be put in force he will have to shut down his mine ; and another that the demand will not be acceded to, and the result will be a strike. The position is most unfortunate, for it is reported that several steamers which have been waiting to load bunker coal have been obliged to leave the port without doing so. The B.I.S.N. Company's steamer "Dunera" and "Oopack," of Holt's Blue Funnel line, are mentioned as having been unable to obtain coal. The former wanted 2,000 or 3,000, and the latter 700 tons. It is also stated that other orders have been offered, but for some reason were declined. It is reported that the supply of labour is not equal to the demand, and that if more hands were available, orders now unexecuted would have a better chance of being accepted.

FORTIFYING WINES.

Vignerons from Rutherglen, Wahgunyah, and Corowa, in an informal way interviewed Sir W. Lyne on Thursday, with respect to the Distillation Act Amendment Bill, which provides that spirit to be used in fortifying wines should be two years old. It was stated no arguments could be brought forward to favour such a departure from the custom hitherto existing. To adopt the proposed legislation would mean heavy losses to vignerons for the next two years. Sir William Lyne promised that some relief would be granted. Possibly the practice of permitting the use of spirit after it had been found chemically pure would be reverted to.

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ANOTHER SENSATIONAL SERMON IN RANGOON.

Plain Talk from the Pulpit.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, SEPTEMBER 17.

Despite rain St Philip's church in Rangoon was attended by a numerous Congregation last evening composed largely of Europeans.

During the opening portion of his pulpit descourse Reverend Courteney said:—"I believe I have the full confidence of this congregation and of this parish. I cannot expect to have such confidence from the public at large ; though I am not in the least annoyed, but on other hand very delighted to find certain letters in the newpapers relating to what I said here last Sunday. It is quite possible that your confidence in me might be shaken by what you read. I told you at the time and told you painly that it was a terrible thing that nine covenanted European Assistants in Rangoon in nine months should have broken their trust and been either dismissed or sent home." Mr. Courtenay went on to say that this statement was denied by one newspaper correspondent whose experience of life in Burma must be less than the speaker's. He wanted his hearers to know that he was not so stupid as to make a statement without foundation. He might also tell them and he did so with grief that in the course of last week he was told that another case had occurred making the tenth in nine months. He did not want to deal with the public but rather with his congregation. But he did not want them to lose their confidence in him because of what people had written to the papers.

Of the medical profession he had the highest opinion, but he repeated that there were some members of the profession who would give certificates of ill-health to officials desireus of obtaining leave which they were not entitled to. He was accused of blaming the medical profession because he spoke facts. there were black sheep in every flock and there were medical men who had such easy consciences that they would certify the ill health of persons who were not ill as represented. He thought it was a matter of common knowledge that leave on M. C., as it was called, was frequently obtained without cause. He acknowledged he had been pleased by the reference to his remarks. It had created extra talk about what happened here and they were all aware of the fact that in the course of last week there had been a great deal of discussion concerning what he had said. A prevalent note of the discussion had been : "Why cannot he let it alone, and what business is it of his, and why does he want to talk like that from the pulpit, and he speaks out far too plainly, and some one ought to tell him," So he had personally had a good deal of heckling regarding what he had said, for some people thought a clergyman was acting foolishly when he touched sore spots. He was only doing his duty when he rebuked the evil doer. The preacher concluded with the remarks that the wrongdoer would not be rebuked.

DETAILS BY TRANSPORT "ASSAYE."

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The following R. A. M. C. Officers embark in the Transport "Assaye" leaving England on the 5th September, 1906 :—Colonel Harwood, Major Morphew, Captain Lelean, Lieutenant White, Lieutenant Fawcett

POONA NOTES AND NEWS.

Sport and Gaiety.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPTEMBER 16.

The Poona Open Polo Tournament this year has filled well. It is, as I daresay you know, for a challenge Cup presented by the Maharaja Sir Pertab Singh. The 13th Hussars were the first to fall out, when the Poona Horse played against the 33rd Cavalry and beat them. The Bhopal Gymkhana then defeated the 13th Hussars who came from Secunderabad. The polo ground was in perfect condition and the pavilion very fairly full. Much pains had been taken to get all the gate money possible out of the onlookers and Kanats were placed all round the ground to fence it in, this was to serve a double debt i.e., to shut out the vulgar herd (which it did not do a bit, as they crawled underneath!) and to prevent the "eye" of the players from being taken off the ball by seeing passing vehicles on the roadway. Rows and rows of chairs were empty, showing how unwise the money snatchers were to try to get blood out of stones and why, again, should the Gymkhanaites, who already pay for keeping up the polo-ground be charged again to witness, perhaps, the only really interesting game of the year? However, I hear a new polo-ground is badly wanted and the extra charge is to go towards that—so let us follow the game a bit without grumbling !—In the 1st chukker when the ball was dangerously near the 33rd goal, a frantic drive sent it wizzing past, and the Poona Horse scored a sub. Later on Wogan Brown dribbled up and sneaked the ball through, just after a foul had been declared against the 33rd, and the game ended with 1 sub to the Poona Horse and 1 goal to the 33rd Cavalry—The second game lasted for 11 min. and 43 secs. during which a foul was given against the Poona Horse who eventually finished with 1 goal and 1 sub to 2 goals. Commencing from midfield the 4th Chukker, started, when the 33rd worked up the ball to the Poona Horse end : Fazand Ali shot through the goal, but he hit off-side and the goal did not count.—In the end the 33rd scored up 3 goals and the Poona Horse 2 goals and 1 sub. The 5th chukker showed some excellent play on both sides and ended in 3 goals to the 33rd and 4 goals and 2 subs to the Poona Horse. The 6th round ended in 6 goals and 2 subs to the P.H. and to the 33rd; 3 goals. The 7th and last Chukker was played out against time during a rather heavy shower and ended in 4 goals and 2 subs to the Poona Horse and 3 goals to the 33rd Q. O. Cavalry. The umpires were Major Vaughan and Captain Henderson. The second game of the afternoon was between the 13th Hussars and the Bhopal Gymkhana. The latter team were much better mounted than their adversaries and were far superior to their opponents in their way of manœuvring and backing each other up. From the start it was pretty evident which way the game would end and after an excellent exhibition of play the Bhopal Gymkhana got the better of the 13th Hussars in every Chukker.

On the 11th the Bhopalese played the Poona Horse, and the Poona Gymkhana played the 18th Hussars. The Poona Gymkhana was represented by three officers of the 93rd Highlanders and one visitor belonging to the 12th Lancers. The tussel began in fine weather, for the heavy showers of the day before had quite disappeared. Again the Bhopal team carried all before them and won every Chukker. They played a most interesting game and their style was much admired by the large concourse of people who had assembled to witness the struggle. In the last Chukker the Bhopalese won by 6 goals and 3 subs to 2 goals and 2 subs. The Poona Gymkhana were not in their best form and many a better game has been played by them ; but it will take a lot to beat the Bhopals who are so very quick on the ball and who must have practised often and well together and learnt the important secret of always being in their right places. The second game on this afternoon was between the 10th Hussars and the Poona Gymkhana, the umpires being Colonel Wiggin and Captain Davies. It started at 4-30 and Colonel Grantham and Officers where "At Home" on the ground. From the start the Poona Gymkhana played brilliantly and the keenest interest was shown by the spectators. The game was one of the closest ever witnessed on the Poona ground and was really magnificent and only a single subsidiary brought the Poona Gymkhana forward as the winners ; the last chukker which decided the victory ended in 2 goals and 2 subs to the Poona Gymkhana and 2 goals and 1 sub. to the sporting 10th Hussars who pluckily sent down their team all the way from Mhow to compete.

We were all so intensely interested in watching the game that even the most dainty of toilettes were forgotten until the game was over. Then some pretty fripperies were noticed as one dainty dame held up a fascinating frou of mouselin-de-soie to flirt a pretty underskirt of silk and muslin before the masculine eye ! Again a lovely crepe-de-chine of delicate blush rose pink was shown off by its wearer, a fair young visitor of perhaps nineteen summers, upon whose finger, by the bye, a quick eye could detect a very bright plain gold band ! A startling gown of black and white striped silk and velvet looked well, but curtailed the height of the wearer instead of adding to it because the stripes were too broad and gave breadth instead of length. All went away delighted with the grand games they had seen and fully conscious that they had witnessed a game of polo, the like of which does not often fall to residents in India to see.

The finals were played off on Friday the 14th and the excitement was intense. Every stroke was followed with breathless anxiety and it seemed impossible to tell how the game would end. The Bhopals and the Poonaites fought for all they were worth and both teams played brilliantly. The Bhopalese were unlucky in losing Johnson at the last moment as he was unable to play and a Native filled his place. Kennedy and Herbert played grandly and the 5th and 7th Chukker decided the win

other, was *a la militaire*. One lady burdened herself with a regular garden of real flowers, trails adorning her frock, and a bouquet, which, though lovely in itself, looked out of place in a crowded ball-room and seemed too heavy for the frail and fair owner to carry. Perhaps it had a history; who can tell?

Last night was Staff night and everyone flocked to the Poona Gymkhana Club to see what the A. D. Company had in store for them. The piece put on the boards was the "Manœuvres of Jane" and the characters were well sustained except, perhaps, in one or two cases when the reverse was the result. The principal part was "Jane Naugle," the tiresome wayward daughter of a poor forlorn widower, was represented by Mrs. R. D. Prior, who did her best with a part not quite suited to her talent. Mr. W. L. Meade took the part of Lord Bagohild, a rather feeble personality—a regular limb of aristocracy—whose weak character was splendidly acted by the representative, and all were very sorry not to see more of this talented actor on the stage. One of the most difficult parts was taken by Mrs. Turnbull and well sustained throughout, while the thanks of the Company and audience are due to Miss Pogson who took the part of Miss Dodd, an ugly unfascinating old maid in representing whom she had the sympathy of all the ladies in the audience. The house was full and the piece would have been a great success if the manager could learn to understand that no Anglo-Indian audience can sit through four acts and keep quiet.

W. A.

THE PRESIDENCY WIN.

One would imagine that from a really sporting point of view the Presidency and Parsee Cricket Match would have been the all important event of the past week, yet it can scarcely be claimed to have been so. On Thursday—the day the match began—it was surprising how many ladies and gentlemen were absent at the Races in the afternoon instead of being present to watch, for the love of sport, what may be termed a test match between the Europeans and the Parsees. The Races are almost always with us through the season, but such an interesting cricket match as was begun on Thursday is an exceptional fixture which ought certainly to have been the premier attraction. The gambling instinct, it is feared, enticed most of the men away to the races, while several of the English ladies were allured to go no doubt by invitation to a sumptuous lunch first at the Western India Club. The beautiful lawn in the enclosure of the Grand Stand at the Race Course—often a good promenade too for those fair ladies who have pretty and elegant gowns to display—and this may have been an additional attraction. The gambling instinct seems very strong also among the native element. The crowd at the cricket match was not so large as might have been expected, the counter attraction of the Race being doubtless responsible for this too. The Race train in the afternoon brought up hundreds of natives as one could see by the crowded velicles and motors which dashed along the roads creating a terrible noise and raising a dense dust. A Bill has been introduced seemingly by the Legistature in Australia suppressing charity raffles, private card playing, prohibiting sweepstakes above 5 shillings and punishing of betting news, and while one does not for one moment allege things are so bad as to justify such drastic legistation in this country still—if we do not beware—stern measures of some type may have to be taken at some later date to check the evils connected with horse racing in India. Almost every little "boy in the street" as well as shopkeeper and subaltern in Poona seems to have his interests locked up in the turf. The familiar cry "Race teep sir" "Race teep" which one hears all about Cantonments and in other parts of Poona in the early mornings and afternoons is a sufficient indication of the extent of gambling that goes on Race days here.

Englishmen of course are delighted at the favourable termination of the cricket match, for in recent years it seems to have been looked upon as a foregone conclusion for that the Parsees would win. The main feature of the first day's play was the effective bowling of Cheetham who took 5 wickets for 29 runs, and the splendid innings of Wigram of the Staff College, Deolali, and Chaplin of the 10th Hussars. Wigram's innings of 80 was faultless and he played with the utmost confidence and dash from the start reminding one of C. B. Fry. Stepping out to one of Pavri's ball he lifted it right out of bounds for 6, a hit which elicited rounds of applause from the delighted spectators—Chaplin gave two or three chances at starting, but with these exceptions he played very well indeed, and deserves great praise for a magnificent innings of 144 which very materially aided to bring about victory for the Presidency. In fact the honours of the winning team may be said to be divided between Deas who captained the Eleven well and who bowled so excellently especially in the second innings, and Cheetham who also, bowled excellently in both innings (though selected mainly to his batting) and Wigram and Chaplin.

Among the Parsees H. D. Kanga and R. P. Meherjeekse carried off the honours in the batting line, and K. B. Mistri bowled excellently. In fact without him the Parsees would have been quite out-classed. Their fielding if anything was better than that of the Presidency team, but the latter were certainly much smarter than I have seen them before. Rutter who was chosen at the last moment because of the refusal of Ross of Satara to play, was especially good in the field and he batted very well indeed in both innings. Cheetham caught Metha off his own bowling in the first innings very cleverly with a one hand catch to which he had to jump up. The ball dropped from his uplifted hand but he held it before it fell to the ground. In the second innings he cleverly threw out Pavri who attempted to steal a run. The last two or three wickets of the Parsees in their second innings created a great deal of amusement and excitement, among the Parsee crowd especially, and the tactics of the batsmen seemed to cause dismay for a time among the Presidency fielders and bowlers. For almost every hit a run was made or attempted and in the desire of the fielders to throw out the batsmen several overthrows resulted which elicited rounds of applause from the interested spectators. In this way about 35 to 40 runs were added by the last wicket.

One could not help being amused at the display of friendly race feeling which was exhibited during the match. The Hindus were distinctly demonstrative, however in favour of the Englishmen.—Hats and sticks were thrown by them wildly in the air especially when Wigram slogged the Parsee Captain's bowling out of bounds. What will the Bengali say to such exhibition of partisanship in favour of the white man?

The Parsees played a very plucky up hill game. It was rather unfortunate for the Englishmen that the time fixed for closing on the first day was so late as 6-30 p. m. for soon after 6 p. m. the light got very bad and 4 wickets fell in the remaining half hour. The English Captain, it appears, asked that play might cease in consequence of the indifferent light but Pavri would not give way alleging that on a previous occasion Capt. Greig when appealed to by the Parsees under similar circumstances declined to stop. As it happened it did not affect the result of the match. On a future occasion however this difficulty will, it is hoped, be obviated. The two first days of the match were cloudy and cool, and without rain except for a drizzle for a few minutes on the first day at starting. The third day opened sunshiny and warm. The Presidency polished off the required number of runs (105) before 1 p. m. winning by 6 wickets. Colonel Mosse and the Officers of the 114 Mahrattas were "At Home" at the Gymkhana on the second afternoon of the match, and the excellent Band of the Regiment was in attendance from 5 till past 7 p. m. A large number of ladies and gentlemen availed themselves of the hospitality of Colonel Mosse and his officers. His Excellency the Governor watched the match from the Ladies' Gallery of the Gymkhana on the first day of the match which about the best place to see the bowling especially. On the second day (of the match) he went to see the final of the Polo Tournament. The contest lay between the Bhopal Team and the Gymkhana which ended in a victory for the latter by 13 goals, 5 subs. to 8 goals 8 subs. The Gymkhana team consisted of officers of the 93rd Highlanders who are to be congratulated on their excellent performance. Besides the Races; Cricket Match, and Polo there were Tennis matches on Thursday and Friday and Saturday, and also Racquets. The Tennis final of the mixed doubles terminated after the second day's cricket was over, so that the game was watched by a large number of spectators. Mrs. Quin (Poona) and Mr. Arthur, I.C.S., (Satara) were beaten by Mrs. Sendimore (Poona) and Mr. Lucas R.A.M.C. (Poona) by two sets to love. The following afternoon Captain Lucas of the Body Guard and Mr. Lucas R. A. M. C. defeated Mr Arthur (Satara) and Mr Fink (Dharwar). This was a very closely contested match, the former winning the third set by 7—5. The Men's Singles were won by Major Field (Poona) who seems invincible against all comers. The Badminton Tournament which was played off in the morning did not seem to excite the same amount of interest as usual. In the Men's Doubles Mr. McIver (Poona) and Captain Lucas (Poona) defeated Major Jackson, I. M. S., (Poona) and Mr Lowman of the Police (Poona) and on the single, Mr Duxbury of the Forest Department (Satara) defeated Mr. Lowman (Poona) easily.

His Excellency the Governor, as was predicted in a previous letter, returned from his shooting trip in Kanara on the 10th instant in time to attend the Western India Club Ball fixed for the 11th. He succeeded in getting a bull Bison, as also did Major Lee.

A note of sadness has to be added before closing about the extent of sickness among the European troops that prevails in Poona, as of the terrible ravages of plague in the city and also of the victims which enteric claims among the ladies and gentlemen of the station. Major Rawlins, Military Secretary to General Hunter, has been dangerously ill at the Station Hospital. Wanowri and strings of carriages might be seen driving up daily to the Hospital to enquire after his condition evidencing the extent of the popularity of this most genial officer. The Bishop of Bombay, since his return from Nasik, has been unwell and not able to fulfil his engagements. Mrs. Monie, wife of the Under-Secretary to Government (Political Department), has also been unwell with fever for the past week and Mr. Turnbull, of the Educational Department was taken to the Sassoon Hospital three days ago sufferring apparently from enteric.

DEATH OF MAJOR GEORGE W. RAWLINS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPTEMBER 17.

I much regret to announce the death of Major George William Rawlins, 2nd in Command of the 30th Lancers, which sad event occurred last night. The deceased officer was Officiating Assistant Military Secretary, Western Command, and A.-D.-C. to General Sir Archibald Hunter, Commanding. He came India in July 1882, and joined the 12th Bengal Lancers. He was at the time A.-D.-C. to Sir Charles Rivaz, Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.

Major W. Rawlins died from peritonitis after only a few days' illness. He was conscious up to a few hours of his death.

Major W. Rawlins was exceedingly popular in Poona society and his funeral, this evening, was largely attended by all classes of society.

PILGRIMS AND QUARANTINE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The entire Mussulman community of India will receive the news, conveyed by the Press Note issued on Saturday, with a feeling of supreme satisfaction and heartfelt thankfulness. Non-Mahomedans can have no idea how keenly my community felt the restriction imposed upon their co-religionists, desirous of proceeding to Mecca, to discharge a religious obligation. This feeling became greatly accentuated when it was clearly shown that quarantine against the outgoing pilgrims was absolutely unnecessary and unjustifiable. Public meetings were held all throughout the country asking for the abolition of quarantine. The sympathetic reply received from the Government of India to the well-reasoned and weighty representation submitted to them by the public meeting held under the auspices of the Aanjuman-i-Islamflled us to expect that the Secretary of State will take the right view of the matter and that orders will shortly be issued abolishing the quarantine detention in Bombay. We are happy to find that our expectations have been fully realized and that the vexatious imposition has become a thing of the past.

This question ought to serve as an object-lesson to the Mahomedan community. It shows to them how necessary it is to carry their grievances to the attention of Government. It is no use grumbling amongst themselves and sitting quiet. They ought to adopt all constitutional measures to bring their grievances to the notice of the Authorities and I feel confident that justice is sure to be secured.

I cannot conclude this letter without thankfully acknowledging the important service which the Press, both English and Vernacular, has rendered to my community in supporting their cause.—Yours, &c.

IBRAHIM RAHMITOOLA

SEPTEMBER 17th.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUDRON ORDERS BY LIEUT. HEUGH S SYMONS, OFFG. COMMANDANT.

Bombay, September 18.

There will be no drill for Recruits at the Town Hall this Tuesday evening the 18th instant.

By Order,
HEUGH S. SYMONS, Lieut.
Offg. Comdt. B. L. H.

"If Martin Luther returned to earth he would have to act differently, if for no other reason than that the Kaiser was living." So said the Reverend Charles Kelly, delivering the charge to the newly ordained ministers at the Wesleyan Conference at Nottingham.

TORTURED DAILY FOR YEARS.

HOUSEWIFE'S STRANGE SUFFERINGS FROM LIVER DISORDER ENDED BY BILE BEANS.

Disorders of the liver take many strange forms and give rise to many distressing symptoms. In thousands of such cases Bile Beans for Biliousness have restored vigour and cheerful health in the despairing and hopeless. Mrs, Annie East, of Thornton, near Horncastle, said to a reporter of the "Horncastle News":—

I suffered from constant noises in my head and sharp pains across my back for many years. I frequently had sick headaches and fits of dizziness, so that I could not do my work. The pains across my back were so bad that I found it quite impossible to stoop. I was treated by a doctor several years ago, but made no progress. The ringing in my ears and buzzing noises in my head were a constant torture to me, and my back got so bad that I could not even lie in bed with comfort. I was so worn out with sickness and pain that I only weighed 8 stone 4 lbs. Now my weight is 9 stone 8lbs.

"It was Bile Beans alone which wrought this wonderful change in me. As soon as I began taking Bile Beans I noticed that my back was easier and I decided to stick to Bile Beans till I got better. I am now well and strong again, thanks to Bile Beans."

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Write address clearly.

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SPORTING NEWS.

CRICKET AT SECUNDERABAD.

By far the most interesting game we have witnessed this season was played recently between our local Gymkhana eleven, captained by Capt. Cates, and a Team from Bolarum and North Trimulgherry, captained by Capt. Roberts. The Gymkhana, who won by 128 runs, gave a fine exhibition of free hitting. There was no knowing, however, how the combined Team might have shaped in the second innings had there been time to play it. The following were the scores:—

BOLARUM & NORTH TRIMULGHERRY TEAM.

Capt Stopford, c Rollo, b Cates	55
Lieut Wilford, c Cates, b Frederick	9
Sergt Darnley, c Yates, b Frederick	3
Sergt Burgess, c Rollo, b Frederick	1
Lieut Spencer-Smith, b Frederick	10
Capt Roberts, c Greenwood, b Frederick	4
Col stokes, c Cates, b Frederick	21
Lieut Saville, c Cope, b Cates	11
Lieut Jarvis, b Cates	1
Capt Wynne, c Yates, b Frederick	7
Mr Lee, c Cope, b Rollo	11
Col Balsh, not out	2
Extras	12
Total	147

GYMKHANA TEAM.

Lieut Browne, b Milford	74
Lieut Yates, b Sgt Darnley	17
Capt Frederick, c b Roberts	32
Capt Cates, b Milford	91
Lieut Evans, c Lee, b Milford	5
Lieut Rollo, c Lee, b Burgess	28
Major Dowing, c Balsh, b Wynne	35
Capt Greenwood, c Stopford, b Burgess	49
Lieut Apthorp, c Lee, b Burgess	15
Lieut Cope, c Burgess, b Darnley	2
Lieut Taylent, not out	1
Capt Davidson, did not bat	0
Extras	5
Total	275

THE KSHATRIYA C. C. vs. THE NEW SHIVAJI C. C.

An exciting cricket match was played yesterday between the above Teams and resulted in a tie. Mr. Pakhade for the New Shivaji and Sohani for the Kshatriya alone entered into double figure with 14 and 10 runs respectively to their credit, while Varadker from New Shivaji took 9 of the opponents' wickets for only 20 runs, and B. G. Paralker and O. D. Amre of the Kshatriya's took 5 for 11 and 4 for 17 runs respectively, both sides scoring 42 runs each. Below are the details of play:—

KSHATRIYA C. C.

D R Naik, b Waradker	5
M D Raote c and b Waradker	1
O D Amre, b Waradker	6
S H Sohani, b Diveker	10
S G Pathare, b Waradker	0
B G Paralker, b Waradker	7
R Chintaman, b Waradker	0
W S Takkhav, b Waradker	1
S D Pathare, b Waradker	3
G D Date, b Waradker	0
B Bhauram, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	42

NEW SHIVAJI C. C.

Pakhadi, b Amre	14
Jayker, b Paraiker	1
N Kovarker, b Amre	2
Dandeker, b Amre	0
Diveker, b Paralker	0
M Kovarker, not out	4
Dere, c and b Paralkar	0
P Kovarker, b Paralker	3
Ransinge, run out	2
Hadker, b Amre	8
Varadker, c and b Paralker	4
Extras	4
Total	42

ISLAM GYMKHANA vs. HINDU GYMKHANA.

This match was played on the Islam Gymkhana Ground on Sunday, and resulted in a win for the Islam Gymkhana by 19 runs.

ISLAM GYMKHANA.

Aba, c Agasker, b Telang	0
C Mali, b Wagh	19
Edroes, b Wagh	10
Aziz, b Wagh	2
Peer Mohamed, b Wagh	6
Ismail, c Prabhaker, b Wagh	9
Razak, b Shete	10
Mullaji, l-b-w Wagh	4
Jamali, b Wagh	0
Alisha, b Wagh	19
Bustam, not out	9
Extras	14
Total	102

HINDU GYMKHANA.

Agasker, c Aziz, b Mali	0
P Telang b Mali	2
Prabhaker, b Edroes	5
D Telang, l-b-w Aziz	34
Date, b Mali	12
Shete, b Mali	3
Wagh, b Mullaji	10
Deveker, c Razak, b Mullaji	9
Khote, c Aziz, b Mullaji	2
Dhargalker, c Razak, b Mullaji	0
Daderker, not out	1
Extras	5
Total	83

THE COSMOPOLITAN FRIENDLY UNION C. C. vs. GIRGAUM C. C.

The above match was played on the Esplanade ground on Sunday, and resulted in a win for The Cosmopolitan Friendly Union C. C. by one run and five wickets on the result of two innings. The bowling of Messrs. Marathe and Mahale proved to be exceptionally successful in the second innings. Subjoined are the full scores:—

GIRGAUM C. C.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.
M Kirtikar, c Marathe	0	b Marathe	0
B S Naik, b Marathe	12	b Mahale	0
H Suktanker, b Marathe	4	b Marathe	1
B M Rao, c Marathe	8	c Kirtiker, b Marathe	0
G Kothare, b Marathe	1	b Marathe	1
N S Naik, b Mahale	1	b Marathe	0
R Kothare, c Mahale	7	b Mahale	0
W Wartak, not out	0	c and b Marathe	0
S Bapat, c and b Marthe	0	not out	0
Pathare, b Mahale	0	b Mahale	1
Dharmihar, b Mahale	0	b Mahale	1
Extras	3	Extras	5
Total	36	Total	8

COSMOPOLITAN.

Acharya, run out	3	run out	0
Sesadvarta, c Kothare	1	run out	0
V Kirtikar, c Kothare	0	not out	1
Mahale, run out	0	c and b Wartak	2
Gidh, b Wartak	2	b Wartak	0
Marathe, b Wartak	8	not out	5
K Paterphoker, b Kothare	2	run out	0
Dattatrya, b Kothare	2	b Wartak	0
V Mulgaoker, c Wartak	1		
A Mungre, b Wartak	3	Did not bat.	
Nandedker, not out	2		
Extras	6	Extras	0
Total	39	Total	15

QUETTA HORSE AND DOG SHOW.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

QUETTA, SEPTEMBER 13.

The first day of the Quetta Horse Show opened today. It is under the patronage of the Hon. Mr. A. L. P. Tucker, C.I.E., I.C.S., and General Smith Dorrien, C.B., D.S.O. The Judges were Lieut. General Smith Dorrien C.B., D.S.O., Lieut. Colonel O'Donnell, D.S.O., Captain Toogood, Captain Marriot, Captain Quinlan, Major Petterson, Major Turbil, Captain Cassels, Captain O. Winter, Captain Sarel, Mr. Gretton, Mr. Allen. The Hon. Secretary was Major Patterson, and the Assistant Secretary Captain Quinlan.

Mrs. Sherman and Miss North competed very pluckily against the men in the jumping, but both their mounts refused. The jumping through was excellent. All Quetta society was present with many visitors from Chaman and Loralai and other out stations. General Smith-Dorrien and Hon. Mr. Tucker were present throughout the day. The arrangements were very good and there was no tedious waiting between events, and much praise is due to Major Patterson who was responsible for all details. A good deal of amusement was caused in the Ladies' Hacks Class, which took the judges a very long time to make up their minds, eventually two out of the three being selected out of the ring, and left Captain Too, good alone to face the music of the non-successful competitors; the appeared however quite equal to the task. The Gymkhana Horse Show were "At Home" and of the Jacob's Horse played a very nice selection of music.

CLASS I—CHARGERS.—CAVALRY OR R.F.A.

Judges:—Captain Sarel, Major Patterson and Captain Winter.

Lieut. S. M. Bruce's Dolphin 1
Lieut. E. D. Gile's Oxide.....2
Lieut. Genl. Smith-Dorrien's John Blunt ...3
Also competed, Lieut.-Colonel Wadeson's Webbington.

INFANTRY AND R. G. A.

Judges:—Major Talbot, Captain Toogood and Captain Quinlan.

Lieut Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Belsal.....1
Captain Johnson's Robert 2
Major Twigg's Phyllis.....3

Also competed Captain Macpherson's "Bill." Major Gooch's Cæsar, Mr. Gretton's Rudolph. Major Westmorland's Cocktail, Major Young's Boxer. Lieut.-Col. Browne's Ginger, Mr. Stewart's Micky Free, Capt. Swettenham's Splash, Lieut. Colonel O'Donnell's Tim, Lieut. Barnes' Peter, Capt. Moore's Bayswater, Lieut. Leah's Sportsman, Lieut. McGowan's Shrapnel, and Lieut. MacDonald's Bonnie Lass.

CLASS II., POLO PONIES. (ARABS.)

Judges:—Genl. Smith-Dorrien, Capt. Sarel and Mr. Allen.

Capt. Marriott's Mick.....1
Capt. G. M. Harcourt's Desmond.....2
Lieut. Gretton's Opal 3

Also ran Capt. Patterson's Khan Bahadur, Capt. Toogood's Broome, Lieut. Sydenham's, Baby, Capt. Johnson's Bayonet, Lieut. Brock's Olympia, Lieut. Gavin Jones' Ju Jitsu, Capt. Chevenix, Trench's Grab, Maj. Talbots, Pharoah, Mr. Russell's Shahzada, Capt. Cassell's Friday.

OTHER THAN ARABS.

Judges:—Captain O'Donnell, Captain Winter, and Lieut. Gretton.

Lieut.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Belfast 1
Captain Day's Strawberry 2
Lieut. Bell's Ginger Wine 3

Also ran Captain Moore's Sunshine, Captain Peart's Chicago Lieut.-Colonel Wadeson's Mistral, Major Talbot's Lagune.

HEAVY WEIGHTS.

Judges:—Capt. Toogood, Capt. Sarel, Capt. Quinlan.

Lieut-Col....Wadeson's Tam 1
Capt. Brewish Bluebell 2
Mr. Gretton's Rudolph 3

Also ran Lieut. Sinnott's, Joyful, and Bhong; Jacob's Horse Polo Club's Jorrocks, Lieut-Col. Wadeson's Martha, Major Minchin's Shaheen; Major Talbot's, Loiterer, Lieut.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Belfast; Capt. Cassell's Friday, Mr. Bell's Ginger Wine.

TEAMS OF 12.

Judges:—Colonel O'Donnell, Capt. Cassels and Capt. Winter.

The Royal Warwickshire Regiment.....1

Also competed Jacob's Horse Polo Club, 37th Lancers Polo Club, and 35th Seinde Horse Polo Club.

CLASS III. HORSE HACKS.

Judges:—Major Talbot, Capt. Marriott and Lieut. Allen A. V. D.

Lieut. Giles' Oxide.....1
Lieut. Giles' Bimbo.....2
Lieut. Paddon's Lady Alicia.....3

Other competitors were Mr. J. Smith's Peacock Lieut. Lucas' His Grace, Lieut.-Col. Wadeson's Webbington and Mrs. McConaghey's Princess.

PONY HACKS.

Judges:—Major Talbot, Capt. Toogood, and Capt. Sarel.

Lieut.-Col. Wadeson's Tam.....1
Capt. Quinlan's Toby.....2
Lieut. Gretton's Opal 3

Other competitor were Capt. Marriott's "C. B." Capt. Palin's, "A. D. C", Lieut. Stewart's Micky Free, Capt. Swettenham's, Splash, Lieut. Hore's, Princelet, Major Twigg's Phyllis, Lieut.-Col. Wadeson's Martha, Capt. G. M. Harcourt's Desmond, Capt. Roosmalecocq's Venture. Capt. Phipp's Dolly, Lieut.-General Smith-Dorrien's Belfast, Capt. Cassell's The General, Lieut. Meiklejohn's Tess, and Capt. Vernon Harcourt's Kelp.

LADIES HACKS PONIES.

Judges:—Col. O'Donnell, Capt. Toogood and Capt. Winter.

Lieut.-Col. Wadeson's Tam riddenby Mrs. Wadeson 1
Maj. Patterson's Lady Molly ridden by Mrs. Patterson 2
Lieut.-General Smith-Dorrien's Musketry ridden by Mrs. Smith-Dorrien.....3

Also competed—Lieut. Eliot's Tommy (Miss Hodgson), Mrs. Quinlan's Toby (Mrs. Quinlan), Lieut. Allen's Mazurka (Mrs. Quinlan), Capt. Marriott's "C. B." (Mrs. Sarel), Col. Finnis Brown Bess (Miss Finnis), Capt. Vernon Harcourt's Kelp (Miss Loring), Mrs. Poolin's Ginger (Owner), Major Minchin's Shaheen (Mrs. Minchin), and Lieut. Lucas' Sunny Jim (Miss Lincoln.)

CLASS VI. JUMPING (HORSES.)

Judges:—Colonel O'Donnell, Major Patterson, and Capt. Winter.

Lieut. Bruce's Ressaldar.....Owner 1
Lieut. Giles' Bimboo .....Owner 2
Capt. Cassel's, Glendale (Capt. Toogood) } dead
Lieut. Bruce's Dolphin (Owner) } heat 3

Also competed Lieut. Lucas' His Grace (owner), Capt. Sorel's Grey Wing (Capt. Palin), and Dr. Boyes' Lady Love (Capt. Toogood.)

POONA RACES.

Handicaps for the Big Events.

WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY MEETINGS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The following are the Handicaps for the Fourth and Fifth Meetings on Wednesday and Saturday respectively:—

WEDNESDAY.

POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—Distance 2 miles, one furlong—Corrie Roy, 12st. 7 lbs; Pactolus, 11st 4lbs; Strathspey, 10st 11lbs; Madiera, 10st; The Moachim, 9st. 11b; Ruapehu, 9st; Nell Gwynne 9st. Top weights, not accepting weights to be raised, six lbs.

PONY CHAMPION CHASE.—Distance one mile, 7 furlongs—Nurse Kitty, 11st; Keywest, 10st 13lbs; Lucretia, 9st 11b; Small Scotch, 8st 6lbs.

SELLING PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs—Gum, 9st 12lbs; Free Lance, 9st. 6lbs; Rustile, 9st. 2lbs; Resident, 8st 12lbs; Gambooda 8st 10lbs; Presbyterian, 8st 10lbs; Fando, 8st 7lbs; Baritone, 8st 11b; Rossi, 7st 12lbs, Armida 7st 3lbs, Vienard 6st 10lbs.

Forfeits for the above races are due this evening.

SATURDAY.

GOVERNOR'S CUP.—R. C. and Distance—Precious, 9st 12lbs, Skylark 8st. 5lbs, Egypt 8st 3lbs, Mooreed 8st, Laffy 8st, Berlin 7st 12lbs, Hadhur 7st 10lbs, Bay Middleton 7st 9lbs, Young Cardigan 7st 9lbs, Soheil 7st 8lbs Peculiar 7st 4lbs, Panala II 7st 3lbs, Bandit II 7st 3lb, Young Kasier 7st 2lbs, Young Kohinoor 7st, Sandow 6st 13lbs, Ajax 6st 12lbs, Styris 6st 9lbs, Moonib Pasha 6st 7lbs, King Cobwebb 6st 6lbs, Mishall 6st, Sweet William 6st.

Top weights not accepting weights to be raised 12lbs.

GANESHKIND PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs—Cherson 9st 12lbs, Prince Lyon 9st 11lb, Killua 9st 7lbs, Dulcimer 9st 2lbs, Killeevan 9st 1lb, Primerole 8st 13lbs, Amyas 8st 12lbs, Ballark 8st 8lbs; Royalist 8st 5lbs; Manlock 8st 3lbs; Dormant 7st 9lbs; Nat Gould 7st 9lbs; Clynder 7st 8lbs; Diakkaway 7st 6lbs; Adelaide 7st 5lbs; Presbyterian 7st 4lbs: Flotsam 6st 8lbs; Terence 6st.

Two top weights, not accepting weights, to be raised four lbs.

LAWN PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs—Bay Middleton 10st 4lbs: Tachrect 8st 11lbs; False-Start 9st 3lbs; Hermit 9st 3lbs; Red 8st 10lbs; Vedas [late Jahandar] 8st 8lbs; Osborne 8st 5lbs; Ashroff 8st 5lbs; Omar 8st 4lbs; Mint 8st 3lbs; Little Joker 8st 2lbs; Rose 8st 1lb; Zurriff 8st; Witness II 7st 11lbs; Sheik 7st 10lbs; Girjistan 7st 8lbs; Greyfox 7st 6lbs; Young Gazelle 7st 6lbs; Plassey 7st 4lbs; Wadi 7st 3lbs; Ptarmigan 7st 2lbs; Cardiff 6st 12lbs; Curhan 6st 7lbs; Raby 6st.

Top weights, not accepting weights, to be raised four lbs.

COLONIAL PLATE.—Distance one mile—Mataigia 9st 13lbs; Minimus 9st 6lbs; Wakeful 9st 4lbs; Russely Rose 9st; Mandeville 8st 7lbs; Chippy Norton 8st 5lbs; Koko 7st 9lbs; Recovery 6st 7lbs.

Top weights, not accepting weights, to be raised four lbs.

STEWARDS PURSE.—Distance 1¼ mile—Ballark 9st 12lbs; Testwood 9st 6lbs; Sainte Marquise 9st; Lamrock 8st 13lbs; Dirty Boy 8st 10lbs; Clynder 8st 8lbs; Lord Boyne 8st 4lbs; Our State 8st; Trenayr 8st; Apology 7st 12lbs; Transvaal 7st 7lbs; Shotover 7st 6lbs; Insurrection 7st 4lbs; Tubal Cain 6st 12lbs; Resident 6st 10lbs; Admiral Crichton 6st 8lbs.

Top weights, not, accepting weights, to be raised four lbs. Forfeits for the above races are due on Thursday evening.

HORSES LEFT FOR TO-MORROW'S RACE.

POONA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The following are the horses left after the final scratchings for Wednesday's meeting:—

Poona Grand National Handicap.—Corricroy 12st 7lbs, Pactolus 11st 4lbs, Strathspey 10st 11lbs, Madeira 10st, The Moachim 9st 11b, Ruapehu 9st, and Nell Gwynne 9st.

Pony Champion Chase Handicap.—Keywest 10st 13lbs, Lucretia 9st 11b, and Small-Scotch 8st 6lbs.

Selling Plate Handicap.—Gum 9st 12lbs, Freelance 9st 6lbs, Rustile 9st 2lbs, Resident 8st 12lbs, Gambooda 8st 12lbs Presbyterian 8st 10lbs, Fando 8st 7lbs, Baritone 8st 1st, Rossi 7st 12lbs, Armida 7st 3lbs, and Vienard 6st 10lbs.

Breeders Plate Terms Race.—Lady of Quality 9st. 9lbs, Philmore 8st 10lbs and Sir Trenton 8st 6lbs.

Naval and Military Plate Terms Race.—Pasha 11st 4lbs, Little Gallant 11st 2lbs, Lomond 10st 12lbs, Nowar 10st 2lbs, Booby 18st 9lbs Tigris 10st Musket 9st 12lbs and Martini 8st 10lbs.

Dealers New Plate Terms Race.—Rumrah 8st 12lbs, Theranger 8st 11lbs, Dublin 8st 4lbs, Sadi 8st 1lbs, Mariner 8st 1lbs, Retreat 7st 13lbs, Sir Lawrence 7st 13lbs, Bourbon 7st 8lbs, Freelance 7st 8lbs and Darin 7st 6lbs.

THE ANNUAL SIND HORSE SHOW.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE SEPTEMBER 17.

The Annual Sind Horse Show comes off on the 9th October and will be under the patronage of Mr. A. D. Younghusband, the Commissioner in Sind. The show is for horses and ponies which have been in Sind or Baluchistan for 30 days

DURANT FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

Durant Football tournament started to-day. The Cameronians met the Sussex. The Cameronians won after extra time by two goals to one. The feature of the game was the goal-keeping of Tonner of the Sussex.

THE BOMBAY TEAM AT CALCUTTA.

THE *Asian* in commenting on the Calcutta Rugby Football Tournament says of the match between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Armenians:—

The Bombay Gymkhana came over after a lapse of four years but in the present team only Sargent is the survivor of those who played in 1902. On the three previous occasions the Western Presidency team did remarkably well having annexed the Cup in 1891, when they had Walpole and the great Marshall Reid, while the following year they were beaten by the "Buffs" after a close game, and in 1902 they lost to the Welsh Regiment in the semi-final by two goals (10 points) to nil. This season, however, the Bombay team is not up to the old standard and, we believe, the side is not a representative one, Ash, Blair and Shanks being the notable absentees, the trio having taken a prominent part in the recent tournament at Bombay. But on Tuesday, the game was a poor one and the Armenians, who were minus the two Grects, Yalcitee, and Oakley, who played last year, were beaten by 11 points to nil. Although Bombay did most of the attacking in the first-half, they did not score until close on to the interval, when Webb got over after some nice passing started by Sargent, who also majorised, and the Armenians were to the bad by 5 points at half time.

The game in the second half was very scrambling owing to the ground being in a very slushy condition. For an illegal tackle by Durant, Bombay were awarded a "free" and Sargent placed a fine goal. Then Apcar hesitated in punting and when the Armenian skipper did punt, the kick was charged down and Coury, following up, scored. The ball was too heavy and greasy and Sargent hardly raised the ball. For the winners, Baker, Webb, Sargent, Cadell, Bomberger, and for the Armenians, Apcar, Peters, and Sadler, were most prominent.

Of the match between the United Service and the Gymkhana, the *Asian* observes: The United Servic have come into the final and all will congratulate them on their success. It was an honest victory, albeit achieved more by brilliant individual play, and if at one time they looked like being beaten they "came again" and held the ascendancy manfully to the end, when they were acclaimed winners by two goals to a try, or 10 points to 3. The game was a vast improvement on the one the previous evening, which was tinged throughout with disappointment. Last evening, however, the onlookers were provided with an unexpected treat, and in many respects the game was more interesting than any of the others so far played in the competition. The venue was the Calcutta ground, and the turf had recovered wonderfully from the effects of the recent heavy rains. The field, which was so badly cut up in previous matches, had been beautifully rolled and the welcome sun tendered the ground all that could be desired. Little Ossie Rowe was the hero of the match, and after being instrumental in the scoring of the first try, he got over the Bombay line—the second try being the finest ever witnessed in Calcutta. The try too made by Baker (of the Bombay team was one of the best that has been seen this year, but Rowe's performance eclipsed the Bombay representatives.

Although the game did not produce high class football, the game was so keenly contested all through and produced such a thrilling finish that it was in point of sustained interest, one of the best matches of the season. The Services led at the interval by a converted try to nil. Rowe after a fine kick and follow up, picked up, but was collared near the line and Butler getting hold of the leather dashed over. Harty converted, and the U. S. line was not crossed until ten minutes from the finish when Baker getting possession put in a brilliant run and got over with a splendid try. Sargent failed to convert, but Bombay were now attacking for all they were worth and when Sargent made a "mark" in a favourable position the situation was now most dramatic. If Sargent kicked the goal Bombay would lead by two points. If he failed than the Services would lead by the same "narrow margin," but the ball sailed a little wide. The ball for the next three or four minutes was close to the U. S. line and it looked as

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

...OM, SEPTEMBER 15.

SECURITIES—
2½ per cent. Consols ... = unchanged
3 per cent. Reduced ... = 1/4
3½ per cent. Indian Sterling Loan 87 1/8 = unchanged
4 per cent. Indian Enfaced Paper 65 1/8 = ..
SILVER—
Spot in London ... 31 7-16 = ..
2 months' bence ... 31 5-16 = ..
Spot in New York ... 67 7/8 = ..
EXCHANGES—
Paris cheques ... 25 18 1/2 = ..
Berlin cheques ... 20.43 1/4 = — 3/4
New York Demand ... 4.84 = + 1/8
DISCOUNTS—
Bank of England ... 4 pr. ct. = unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills ... 4 " = "
6 months' sight Bank Bills ... 4 1/5 " = "
3 months' sight Fine Trade Bills 4 1/4 " = "
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills 4 1/2 " = "
INTEREST—
Day to day loans ... 3 1/4 " = + 1/8
7 day market loans ... 3 3/8 " = + 1/8
Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £290,000 for Egypt
RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5 2 3 4 value.
WHEAT—Red Karachi 2s 7 8 Nov.-Dec value quiet.
RAPESEED—
Yellow Gusarat 31 1-2 Sept.-Oct. done. } quiet.
Brown 40 3/4 S.-A. value }
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 41 S.-O. buyers steady.
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 1/2.
IN LIVERPOOL—

Cotton Market closed		quiet
East Indian		firm
Manchester		firm
Total Sales		5,000
Spot		5/5 1 — 7
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown		9 5/8
Sold on speculation and for Export		500
Imports		7,000
Futures closed		quiet

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5/5	5/6	5/0
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5/01	5/01	5/03
Mar.-Apr.	Apr.-May	May-June.
5/5	5/07	5/08

Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 24,000
Do. last year ... 29,000
Exports to Great Britain ... nil
Do. do. Continent ... 5,000
IN NEW YORK—
Spot ... 9.80
Futures, month of Dec. ... 9.20—1 *
Do. month of March ... 9.43—1 *
* Tendol to decline owing to weak cables and liquidation.
IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot ... 9 5/16
Futures, month of Oct. ... 9.15 —3
Do. month of Dec. ... 9.19 —3
Tone at close ... steady

COTTON.

	Bales.
Stock in London	13,000
Total visible supply	1,150,000
Do. do. East Indian	120,000
Do. Quantity in sight	820,000

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY REPORT.

	Bales.
Total week's sales	47,000
Do. Sold on Speculation	2,000
Do. Sold for Export	1,000
Do. Forwarded to Consumers	48,000
Do. Actual Exports	5,000
Do. Week's Imports	17,000
Do. Stock	3,27,000
Surats Stock	16,000
Afloat American	60,000
Do. Indian	5,000

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m. on 15 Sept.

Cotton	658 bales.
Wheat	9,903 cwts.
Linseed	4,211 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	738 "
Gingellyseed	7 "
Poppyseed	611 "
Groundnuts	295 "
Castorseed	1,823 "
Rice	2,622 "
Jowarballoons	1,990 "
Cottonseed	5,860 "
Mowraseed	358 "
Gram	377 "
Joowar	943 "
Maize	nil

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

783 Bars Silver.
Ex Arcadia from London.

BOMBAY, MONDAY EVENING.

To-day's crop and weather reports state that seasonable weather is now being experienced and all crop prospects are good. Slight damage to cotton plants is reported in Delhi and Agra from the heavy rain at the end of last week, but it has now cleared up to those districts.

The Liverpool and American telegrams to hand show an easier tendency, in the Cotton markets, and this is reflected in Bombay by a decline in new crop quotations of Rs. 1 to 2. We hear of few transactions at the decline, as there seems little inclination to operate at current prices. In spot cotton there is a fair enquiry and a moderate turnover is reported.

Sterling exchange is firm and Rupee Paper is easier, both due to the steadiness in the money-market. The Bank of Bombay cash balance is 31 lakhs lower.

The following are closing rates for shares.

Petits	Rs.	3,675	X.D. Oct.
Davids	"	510	" "
Jamsheds	"	215	" "
Kohinoors	"	775	" "
Central India	"	2160.	
Tapty Valley Ry	"	472 1/2	

EXCHANGE—Tone firm.

Bank T. T.	... ...		1s. 4 1/16d.
Bank Demand	... ...		1s. 4 3/32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight	D. A.	...	1s. 4 11/32d.
Do. 6 do	do.	...	1s. 4 1/2d.
French Francs 3	do.	do.	... 170 3/4 to 171
Marks 3	do.	do.	... 139 3/4 to 140
Hongkong 30 Days'	Sight	...	160 1/2
Shanghai 30	do.	do.	... 218 1/2
Japan 30	do.	do.	... 150 1/2

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1/2 per cent. Tone quiet.

Cash	... ...	...	97-1
1st Settlement,	1st October	...	97-1

Money Market, Tone firm.
BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 13th Sept.	4	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 12th Sept.	5	do.
Bank of Bengal do. 13th Sept.	6	do.
Bank of Madras do. 10th July	4	do.

COTTON QUOTATIONS.

NEW CROPS—			
M G Bengals fine	Nov.	Rs.	191
Do. fine	Dec.	"	188
Do. fine	Jan.	"	188
M G Dhamangaon fine	...	"	206
M G Nagpur fine	...	"	213
M G Khandeish fully good	...	"	188
M G K A fine	...	"	200
H G Bengals fully good	...	"	174
M G Broach good	Mar.	"	227
Do. do. fine	...	"	235

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone ... quiet but steady.
Estimated sales ... 8,000 bales.
Imports ... 3,000 "

Sep.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5/05	5/01 plus 1	5/01 plus 1
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5/01	5/02 plus 1	5/04 plus 1
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May.-June.
5/06 plus 1	5/08 plus 1	5/09 plus 1

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BANK OF BOMBAY.

A statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, for the week ending the 8th Sept. 1906, as compared with the statement of 15th Sept. 19..

LIABILITIES.	Sept. 8. Rs.	Sept. 15. Rs.
Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	92,00,000	92,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	89,24,,95	80,71,998
Public Deposits at Branches	4,83,73,;	47,03,394
Other Deposits	727,83,351	7,08,30,160
Post Bills	7,599	6,390
Sundries	18,9,,088	18,68,790
	7,971	10,46,80,450
Rs.	10,74,07,974	

ASSETS.		
Government Securities	1,25,01,80,	1,29,44,698
Other authorised Securities	33,12,301	31,49,978
Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	1,9,,49,460	90,35,,53
Loans do. do.	2,07,52,695	2,1 ,03,344
Bills discounted and purchased	2,39,19,039	2,41, ,422
Dead Stock	3,35,21	3,3 ,910
Stamps and Stationery	3,208	3,1 ,7
Balances with other Banks	10,98,16	11,27,747
Sundries	1,22,974	1,74,986
Cash	3,53,13,4 1	3,19,25,085
	10,74,07,974	10,46,80,340

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	1	1	3
B Mandvi, Chakla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	1	1	21
C Market, Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	2	1	16
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Malabar Hill	1	1	9
E Mazagaon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Ramachpura, Tardeo, 3rd Nagpada, and 1st Nagpada	1	0	30
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	14
G Mahim and Worli	0	1	19
Weaker Division	0	0	0
Non-Division	0	0	0
Bhendibazar and Umerkhan	0	0	41
Total	7	5	153
Total Plague deaths to date	133,737		
Plague duty last year	14		

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 17.

The pressure of distribution has changed considerably now and is more like that usually associated with the retreating monsoon period.

The skies are now largely clear over North-Western and Central India and the monsoon is actively shifting southwards and eastwards.

In Burma light to moderate and nearly general rain has fallen on the Coast, but in the interior the weather has been dry and the skies are still moderately to heavily overcast and in Upper Burma the air has become drier.

The temperature is normal or in excess.

In Eastern Bengal, Assam and Bengal light rain has fallen locally and in Orissa one station reports a light fall, the largest amount being one inch at Jessore.

The cloud has decreased over Orrisa and increased slightly in Chota Nagpur and Behar and the skies are accordingly lightly overcast on the greater part of North-East India.

The temperature is normal or in excess.

In the United Provinces, Central India and the Central Provinces the weather has been dry, except where a few light falls have occurred, the heaviest being 1 inch at Nowgong.

The skies are practically cleared in all three areas, excepting the Submontane districts.

The temperature has risen slightly but remains in defect in North-West India. Murree and Rawalpindi each report a fall of ½ inch of rain, but otherwise the weather has been dry. The skies have cleared in the whole of Nort-West India, excepting in Lower Sind and Gujarat, and the air has become drier in the Punjab, Rajputana and Gujarat.

The temperature remains largely in defect in the Punjab Frontier Province and Kashmir, and slightly in defect in Rajputana and normal in Gujarat and Sind.

In the South Peninsula, excluding the Malabar Coast, rain has occurred locally, the only fall exceeding 1 inch, being 3 inches at Mahira.

The skies are moderately overcast on the Circars Coast and clear or lightly overcast elsewhere.

The temperature has accordingly risen and is nearly everywhere in excess.

Nearly general rain is probable on the Burma Coast and some rain on the interior of Burma and in Eastern Bengal, Assam, Bengal, Gujarat, the South Peninsula and the East Coast.

The pressure has risen slightly in Mauritius, Zanzibar, the Seychelles, and is slight in excess in the first two stations. The wind directions are roughly normal and the velocity is greater than usual in Mauritius. The rainfall at Zanzibar and the Seychelles is in defect.

Evidence of the abnormally disturbed conditions to the North and East of the Seychelles appears to be disappearing.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 17TH SEPT.

Amritsar.—Bright; no sign of rain. Cotton plants in flower and expect only slight damage owing to recent rains. Joria and Rapeseed being sown. Gram sowings going on.

Bhatinda.—Sufficient rain fallen generally to enable agricultural operations getting a fair start. Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants want fine weather.

Mooltan.—Bright; no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton plants showing bolls. Cotton healthy. Food-grains doing well. Crop prospects generally good.

Delhi.—Cotton plants lightly damaged by too much rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Agra.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants slightly damaged by too much rain.

Cawnpore.—Bright; no sign of rain. All crops doing well.

Beawar.—Bright; no sign of rain. Cotton plants flourishing.

Amraoti.—Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing.

Khamgaon.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants in flower. Food-grains doing well.

Dhulia.—Bright; no sign of rain Cotton healthy. Crop prospects generally good.

Jalgaon.—Cotton plants showing bolls and crop excellent. Food-grains doing well. Considerable improvement in crops perceptible.

Broach.—Cloudy intervals. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing. Outstanding crops benefiting by fine weather. Crop prospects generally good.

Viramgam.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton plants flourishing. All crops doing well. Crop prospects generally good.

Wadhwan.—Cloud, but no rain. Seasonable. Cotton flowering advanced and crop excellent.

Dholera.—Bright no sign of rain. Sufficient rain fallen generally. Cotton plants flourishing.

Bhavnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing.

Barsi.—Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing, showing bolls and continue to show more improvement. Food-grains and all crops doing well.

Sholapur.—Looks like clearing up. Food-grains doing well.

Hubli.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Looklike clearing up. All crops doing well.

Bellary.—More rain wanted generally. Cotton sowing making good progress.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla.		Esplanade.		Fort.		Colaba	
	In Cts.	In. Cts	In. Cts	In. Cts	In. Cts.	In. Cts.	In. Cts.	
Previously registered	62	64	53	63	61	00	54	39
Monday 17th September 1906	0	0	0	3	0	00	0	1
Total....	62	64	53	66	61	00	54	40
Total fall to 17th Sept. '05..	31	63	39	78	38	19	92	14
Total fall to 17th Sept. '04..	38	36	40	91	41	20	32	00

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OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 6 A.M. ON MONDAY, SEPT. 17TH.
SUMMARY.

Pressure has fallen by small amounts over the whole area.

Winds are south-easterly at Ratnagiri, Bombay and Jacobabad while calms and south-westerly breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been strong at Bijapur and moderate to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The variations are generally small. The highest temperature in the shade was 99° at Jacobabad and the lowest 63° at Belgaum.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is more or less cloudy in several places.

Rain.—Only eleven stations report rain.

Weather is somewhat slightly more favourable for local scattered rain over the country lying to the south of Latitude 20° than what it was yesterday. Weather during the week ending 15th September in the Traders region :—

Pressure had been in moderate excess of normal at Zanzibar and Mauritius and fairly normal at the Seychelles. Winds were south-easterly and 13 miles an hour at Mauritius and the Seychelles and 6 miles an hour at Zanzibar. Zanzibar and Mauritius recorded light showers and there had been no rain at the Seychelles.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

DISHONEST INSOLVENTS PUNISHED.

IN the High Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell has disposed of the insolvency matter of Mahomedali Rajbhoy, a Borah trader in velvet caps in Nagpore and Bombay, the amount of whose liabilities came to a total of Rs. 34,567. There being no assets. Mr. Ardeshir B. Kapadia appeared for the insolvent. Mr. G. S. Mankar, instructed by Messrs. Balkrishna and Motabhoy, appeared for Abdula Nurmahomed, an opposing creditor. The insolvent had mortgaged the goods in his shops and the outstandings, worth about Rs. 19,000, to cover, as he alleged, a claim of the mortgagee, one Abdul Kadar Nurbhoy, to whom, he said, he owed Rs. 7,000. The deed was dated 4th August 1905. The mortgagee had also taken possession of certain books of accounts. Issues were raised regarding the insolvent having concealed his books of accounts, prior to Samvat year 1961 : executed a false and fictitious mortgage, and filed a false schedule and balance-sheet. Mr. Justice Russell said that feeling his client to be in an awkward position, Mr. Kapadia had rightly left the matter in the hands of the Court for the non-production of some of his regular books. The insolvent had not put forward any satisfactory reason or excuse. As to the mortgage, it was in evidence that on the day of the mortgage, no sum was due by the insolvent to the mortgagee. Two entries subsequently appeared ; about which the explanation offered by the insolvent was, that the shops and goods were handed over to the mortgagee in order that the claims of the creditors might be satisfied by him. Not a pie of the money, however, appeared to have been devoted towards discharging the debts of the insolvent ; nor was one single rupee of assets taken over by the Official Assignee of this Court. No mention was made by the insolvent of the income he had derived every month by farming the rent of properties belonging to Mr. Adamji Pirbhoy : in this respect, his schedule and balance-sheet were false. The Commissioner held all the allegations, covered by the three issues to have been proved, and he sentenced the insolvent to nine months' simple imprisonment, at the expiration of which period his discharge would be granted.

In the matter of the petition of Mancherji S. Master, whose opposing creditor by Mr. Rustomji Kharadi, was represented, Mr. D. N. Bahadurji, the Commissioner dismissed the petition with costs, and held that unless the insolvent paid Rs. 650, for costs of the Official Assignee, ordered on 16th August 1905, and of the present hearing no fresh petition of his should be received on the file.

THE TWO SERVICES.

SOME time since a scheme was drawn up for a local navy for the Australian Commonwealth. This scheme was laid before the Imperial Defence Committee and they have recently published their report. This report is altogether unfavourable to the scheme, and their decision in rejecting the scheme has aroused considerable opposition in the Colony. The principal Sydney newspapers all protest against the conclusions of the committee and not a few are inclined to doubt whether the committee had a full knowledge of the principles of the matter upon which they had to report. Outside the press, too, many protests have been uttered by prominent public men, who think that the "sound principles" upon which the committee's decision are based are nothing of the sort. It will be remembered that the scheme was for a "purely defensive line, that will give security to our (Australasian) naval bases, populous centres, principal ports, and commerce." Not intended to act on the offensive, it was only to come into the sphere of active operations when the Imperial Navy itself was no longer in a position to perform its defensive duties, when the Australian navy would undertake the defence of the coast line, of which there are some 4,000 miles, from North Queensland to Perth, Western Australia. The strength of the navy suggested by Captain Cresswell would be altogether inadequate for this purpose and seeing that the scheme leaves out the coastline of the Northern Territory it need hardly be said that it is, to say the least, incomplete, and from an Australian point of view needs considerable improvement. However, the subject of Australian defence is being discussed.

Some years back, when the old system of boys' training ships was in vogue, a supplementary system of recruiting for the Navy was adopted. Certain old-type cruisers with large sail power cruised around the coast of the United Kingdom enlisting at the various ports lads too old to enter the training ships. These lads were trained in the cruisers for a period, and then drafted into ships of the fleet as firstclass boys. It is in continuation of this system that the Ganges establishment survives. Here the youths are taken between the ages of 16½ and 18 years. Ganges II. is a fine, roomy cruiser of 10,600 tons, originally one of the old iron broadside battleships, the earliest armour-clads built for the fleet. This is the home of the "youths," the Ganges being the headquarters ship, with officers, etc., and also the home of the commander-in-charge both of the Ganges and the Shotley Barracks.

"Youths" are simply shook down to the sea routine by three months' training in the Ganges, then pass to one of the sea-going cruisers of the Fourth Cruiser Squadron (the sea-going training squadron of the whole Navy), and after three months in the cruiser—six months' training in all—are drafted to fleet ships as ordinary seamen if of 18 years, if not as first-class boys untill they attain that age. Their training is mainly on the lines about to be described, but, of course, much less through. It would, of course, be better if all boys were to go through the full mill, but by enlisting "youths" a wider field of recruiting is opened, and the finished article costs considerably less than does the "boy." The results are being carefully watched, and it is now possible to form an opinion, for the earlier entries on this system are by now many of them petty officers. How they compare with their brethren who have entered as boys can now be fairly judged, and is being so. Of course, good character and good physique are essential to entry.

Immediately on entry a boy is "kitted up," that is supplied with his outfit, and given a week in which to shake down in his new surroundings, and then embarks on a twelve-weeks' course of seamanship and school (alternate half-days). Each working day he gets one hour's physical training on the Navy system, and also does one hour squad drill a week. Seamanship training includes swimming (there is a floating swimming bath attached to the establishment), signals, knotting and, splicing, boat-pulling, boat-sailing, sculls and hitches, and compass and helm. A superb room is allotted and splendidly fitted for seamanship instruction, and in models and equipment it is little, if at all, inferior, to the seamanship rooms at Osborne and Dartmouth. After this course of twelve weeks a few boys who are exceptionally good at school-work, are sent to the Impregnable to undergo special instruction, and also all boys who show the ability and volunteer to specialize in signalling go to Devonport for special training. For the others the routine is then a four-weeks' course of mechanical training. This is, of course, only elementary but it is of a character that gives a good grounding and teaches the boy a thorough knowledge of tools and how to handle them. The instruction includes chipping filing, drilling, tapping, blacksmith's work, and work in engine-room.

The air is full of rumours of further changes and various retrenchments in the Army. The machine is being tested up to the breaking strain. The Army Gymnastic Staff, which has done so much to raise the quality of our soldiers, is threatened, a committee having been appointed to decide whether the work shall go on or shall be transferred to the already overweighted regiments and battalions. Something more will, perhaps, be added to the burden the regimental officer has to bear. There are even rumours that the School of Gunnery and School of Musketry may be affected, and reduced in establishment and efficiency. It is stated that the Hythe establishment may be retained merely as an experimental school. More satisfactory it is to learn that something is being done to provide occupation for time-expired men by employing soldier clerks wherever this may be possible. There is also said to be an intention of instituting a new class of Reserve officers by promoting on the Reserve selected and suitable warrant officers. Never was there so much bustle and stir in military matter at this dull time of the year.

There is some speculation as to the application of Mr. Haldane's new scheme to the Army Medical Service. Arrangements for mobilisation have always provided for a large percentage of civilian help, say nearly 50 per cent. of civil surgeons. It cannot be predicted whether the Secretary of State for War means to exceed this. Everything seems to depend on the success of Mr. Haldane's territorial scheme, which may be desirable for volunteering, but will work doubtfully for soldiering. Till the territorial scheme is developed no proposals for an Army Medical Reserve of officers and Reserve of subordinates can be formulated.

The experimental company at Hounslow has now been under training for about five months, and great credit is due to Colonel Pollock and those concerned with him for what has been accomplished. We do not, think the trial has taught soldiers anything they did not know, but it is, nevertheless, an object lesson which has considerable value. It is not easy to say whether the new system of longer training for the recruits of the Militia will be found to answer in the present conditions of the labour market, but if it should be successful there is no reason why these men, if they have capable instructors like those at Hounslow, should not become efficient soldiers. We do not, however, expect to find men of the same class as those of the experimental company filling the Militia. The company at Hounslow consists of those who are, in a real sense, selected—that is, selected by the conditions of the service which they have undertaken. They are men possessing a good deal of the military spirit, which prompted them in some cases with disadvantage to themselves, to volunteer, and they are undoubtedly superior to the average recruit of the Regular Army. They are intelligent men also, and they are well fed and drilled and trained in favourable conditions. In marksmanship and signalling, in the duties of attack and defence, and other military exercises, they have attained a high level. As we have said, the experiment perhaps, teaches nothing, but it is nevertheless a most commendable illustration of what can be done in such circumstances.

Captain C. A. L. Yate, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, in the last number of *The Journal of the Royal United Service Institution* has a suggestion in regard to our present infantry organisation which is not only new—a rare delight in these day—but has also much to recommend it. In discussing the question of four or eight companies for an infantry battalion he puts the *pros* and *cons* fairly enough, although he has not mentioned one of the great arguments against the so-called "double company" system, which is the unfortunate position of the second captain. Captain Yate proposes something of a compromise—a six-company battalion, as in the French chasseurs, each battalion having a lieutenant-colonel, two majors, and six captains, with twelve subalterns at home and eighteen when abroad, and the company consisting of three sections. It is claimed that such battalions of 775 men commissioned officers and men—the establishment now decided on by Mr. Haldane—a company commander ought to be able always to have at least 100 men to work with. We are quite in agreement with Captain Yate's contention that "there does not appear to be any need for captains to be mounted." In Germany the captain rides because the authorities cannot help his company being large, and he is generally a very much older and less active man than his British confrere, while in Japan and Russia the company commanders are not mounted although their companies are large. To the two majors Captain Yate assigns the duties of the education of the subalterns and the supervision of regimental instruction. The scheme thus propounded has a great deal to recommend it, and has decided advantages over our present "double company" organisation which has now for some time been on trial in England and in India.

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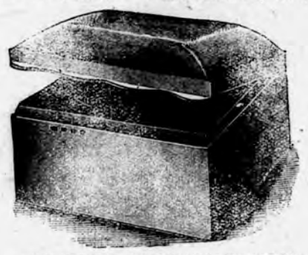

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